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FACTORIES IN CHINA.

LABOUR CONDITIONS REVIEWED IN BRITISH
FOREIGN OFFICE MEMORANDUM.

FAR SUPERIOR IN BRITISH FACTORIES.

In accordance with the promise recently given by Sir Austen Chamberlain in the House of Commons, the British Foreign Office has issued a memorandum on labour conditions in China, in which various charges brought against British employers in that country are effectively refuted. It is recalled that the report of the Child Labour Commission in Shanghai and the consular reports from all over China, published in the Blue Book "China No. 1 (1925)," gave a fairly complete picture of labour conditions in that country. The general standards of life, housing and hygiene are, it is stated, incredibly low. The standard of wages is correspondingly low and the exploitation of child and female labour is regarded as both normal and natural. It is noted, however, that in China as in the West this exploitation with all its attendant evils was in full vigour before there was even a beginning of a factory system.

"Labour is therefore unorganised, and there is a tendency to the low standards of pay and of housing, the long hours of work and the exploitation of women and children, which prevail in domestic and cottage industries, to be carried on into the small and scattered factories now springing up. The whole population lives in poverty, and low standards and long hours are in their eyes both natural and normal, and there is consequently no public sentiment against labour conditions which in Europe and America would be considered intolerable. The rapid spread of the Nationalist movement all over China is making a great change as regards the organisation of labour, but even now it would be idle to expect that the Chinese Government should attempt to enforce regulations for which there is not only no demand, but which would be bitterly resented by the very persons in whose supposed interests the regulations were imposed."

Foreign Factories Have The Better Conditions.

All the evidence, says the memorandum, points to the fact that conditions in foreign, and especially British, factories in China, though naturally in some respects not equal to European standards, are, in fact, far superior to the conditions in the vast majority of Chinese factories. "The industrialisation of China has barely commenced, and the British share in this industrialisation is very small indeed. There is no British capital invested in Chinese factories, whereas in British factories the capital is generally largely subscribed by Chinese. Only four cotton mills out of 123 are British. Of these three belong to Ewo Cotton Mills (Ltd.), in which the capital is 38 per cent. Chinese, and the fourth belongs to the Oriental Cotton Spinning and Weaving Co., in which the capital is 54 per cent. Chinese. The only places in China where foreigners may own factories are at the treaty ports, but the consular reports show that it is only at a few of the largest ports which happen also to be industrial centres, such as Shanghai, Hankow, Tientsin, and Harbin, that British factories are to be found. With regard to Canton, here his Majesty's Consul-General enumerates some seventy native factories, but there is only one small British aerated water factory."

Unfounded Charges.

It is pointed out that the Blue Book erroneously stated that of 273 factories in the industrial area of Shanghai, eighty-seven were foreign and twenty-eight were British. It is not possible to state how many British factories there are in Shanghai, but it is evident, the memorandum states, that the number is very small. "This lack of

accurate information is the cause of many unfounded charges that are brought in this country against the British employer of labour in China. It is said that the British have gone to China in order to fasten the yoke of capitalistic exploitation of labour upon the Chinese that the British export credit to China and use that credit to erect factories and exploit cheap labour; that the products of this cheap labour are exported into other countries, such as India, where they compete with English manufactures, and thus injure the British working man; that the authorities of foreign concessions refuse to apply Chinese factory legislation in the concessions; that the child labour by-law for the International Settlement at Shanghai was defeated by means of a deliberately organised boycott, which prevented a quorum being secured."

To some extent, the memorandum proceeds, these misstatements arise out of honest ignorance of a very complicated and little-known subject. They can, however, be refuted in a few brief paragraphs summarising the facts:

1. Chinese having barely begun to emerge from the stage of domestic industry, the total amount of all capital invested in factories is insignificant. Nearly the whole of this capital is Chinese, only a small percentage being British. The interests of the British in China are therefore overwhelmingly those of the trader and only to a very insignificant extent those of the capitalist or employer of labour.

2. In the development of the factory system in China the influence of foreign capitalists, both British and Japanese, inasmuch as it has set up higher standards and introduced humanitarian ideas, has been entirely beneficial.

3. The evil conditions of labour in Chinese factories are due primarily to the low standards of living that prevail generally in China and to the total absence of effective legislation. The disappearance of the concessions and of extrajurisdictional improvement in labour conditions; on the other hand, growth in the power and influence of the Nationalist party, which has (on paper, at least) adopted a labour policy, may promote such improvement.

4. Conditions in foreign factories, particularly British and Japanese, are better than in Chinese factories. A high proportion of the few British factories challenge comparison with any in the world.

5. The movement for securing better conditions for labour is initiated, and has been led, by foreigners, both missionaries and capitalists. The Chinese, with a few brilliant exceptions, have been generally apathetic, and Chinese labour organisations, so far as they have been led astray into politics, have been interested only in the question of wages.

6. There is no Chinese legislation which can be applied in foreign concessions. The Provisional Factory Regulations of 1923 are unsuitable and exist only on paper.

It is added that the labour by-law for the International Settlement at Shanghai failed in 1925 because under the settlement regulations one-third of the ratepayers must attend before a new by-law can be passed. A similar rule would block similar legislation in the most enlightened country in the world. Nevertheless, a quorum had been secured if it had not been for the Chinese opposition and the occurrence of serious riots on the day of the meeting. A larger percentage of British ratepayers than of any other nationality attended the meetings. It is probable that the Chinese, while still failing to enforce legislation of their own, would resent any further attempt to legislate in the International Settlement as an invasion of their sovereign rights."

LADY GUILLEMAR'S FAREWELL.

PRESENTATION FROM THE SINGAPORE CHINESE.

A farewell At Home was given at the Garden Club, Tanah Merah, on Wednesday last week, in honour of Lady Guillemard, wife of H.E. the Governor who both left Singapore on Friday. The function was attended by a large number of guests, who were graciously received by Mrs. Lee Choon Guan and Mrs. S. Q. Wong.

The Band of the Johore Military Forces was in attendance and gave selections of music during the afternoon. An interesting exhibition lawn tennis doubles match was played between Messrs. J. Huggins and J. D. Hall and Messrs. Khoo Hooi Hye and Chua Choon Leong, which resulted in a win for the Chinese pair.

Later in the afternoon Mr. S. Q. Wong thanked Lady Guillemard, on behalf of his wife and Mrs. Lee

Choon Guan, for having attended the function, which gave the Chinese community of Singapore the opportunity of bidding her farewell. By her personal interest in the several institutions with which she had been connected, Lady Guillemard had endeared herself to all, and the Chinese community, being the largest in Singapore, had benefited by her good work in proportion. He thought it only fitting that Her Excellency should take away with her some memento to remind her of her stay in Singapore, and they had decided that this should take the form of a jade necklace.

After Mrs. Lee Choon Guan had fastened the necklace about her neck, Lady Guillemard, in a brief speech, expressed her thanks for the gift, which she said she would treasure and wear on every possible occasion. She declared that she had made many friends during her seven years in Singapore and could look back on her stay in Singapore as a very interesting period. She was very sorry to leave all her friends. — Singapore Free Press.

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Do, London	\$144 buy.
Chartered Bank	\$230 nom.
Mercantile Bank, A. & B.	\$230 nom.
Do, O.	\$230 buy.
P. & O. Bank	\$68 nom.
East Asia Bank	\$68 nom.
China Underwriters	\$30 nom.
North China Ins.	Tls. 143 buy.
Union Insurance	\$291 buy.
Yangtze Insurance	M. \$34 nom.
China Fire Insurance	\$205 buy.
Hong Kong Fire Ins.	\$600 nom.
Douglases	\$214 buy.
Steamboats	\$110 nom.
Hong Kong Tel.	\$30 nom.
Indo-China (Ref.)	\$30 nom.
Do, (Det.)	\$38 buy.
Shell Transport	\$34 buy.
Star Ferries	\$33 buy. & sa.
Waterboats	\$143 buy.
China Sugars	\$19 buy. & sa.
Malayan Sugars	\$31 nom.
Benguet	\$17 buy.
Langkat (combined)	\$21 nom.
Do, (single)	Tls. 24 nom.
S'at Explorations	Tls. 4 nom.
Shanghai Loans	Tls. 7 nom.
Rente	\$4 nom.
Troms Mines	\$21 nom.
Ural Caspian	\$3 nom.
H.K. & K. Wharfs	\$35 nom.
H.K. & W. Docks	Tls. 126 buy.
Hongkong	Tls. 5 buy.
New Engineering	Tls. 104 buy.
Shanghai Dock	\$708 buy.
H.K. & S. Hotels	\$64 buy.
H.K. Lands	\$64 buy.
Hong Kong Realty	\$64 buy.
H.K. Territorials	\$14 nom.
Hidmphyys Hotels	\$134 nom.
Prisms Buildings	\$89 nom.
Hurst Lands	\$14 buy.
Ewo Cottons	Tls. 74 buy.
Oriental	Tls. 514 buy.
Do, (new)	Tls. 264 buy.
China Buses	Tls. 9 nom.
H.K. Tramways	\$204 sa.
Peak Tram (old)	\$15 nom.
Do, (new)	\$3 nom.
Singapore Tramways	\$10/8 nom.
Taxis	\$19 buy.
Amusements	\$5 sel.
Canton Loan	\$7 nom.
Cement (combined)	\$4.40 buy.
Do, (old)	\$6 nom.
Do, (new)	\$1 nom.
China Lights (comb.)	\$12.60 buy.
Do, (old)	\$9.05 nom.
Do, (new)	\$6 nom.
China Providents	\$4.40 buy.
Constructions	\$15.10 buy, 154 sa.
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Do, A. Wings	\$30 buy, 64 sa.
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Mazda Electric	\$88 buy.
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Do, (new)	\$4.40 buy.
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On London—	
Telegraphic Transfer	2/0
Bank Bills, on demand	2/0 3/16
Bank Bills, at 30 days' sight	—
Bank Bills, at 4 months' sight	2/0 3/16
Credit, at 4 months' sight	2/1 3/16
Documentary Bills, 4 months' sight	2/1 5/16
On Paris—	
Bank Bills, on demand	1,245
Credit, 4 months' sight	1,320
On New York—	
Bank Bills, on demand	49
Credit, at 60 days' sight	50 1/2
On Bombay—	
Telegraphic Transfer	134 1/2
Bank Bills, on demand	134 1/2
On Calcutta—	
Telegraphic Transfer	134 1/2
Bank Bills, on demand	134 1/2
On Shanghai—	
Bank Bills, at sight	nom.
Private, 30 days' sight	nom.
On Yokohama—	
Credit, 4 months' sight	109
On Manila—	
On demand	87
On Singapore—	
On demand	87
On Batavia—	
On demand	121 1/2
On Haiphong—	
On demand	nom.
On Saigon—	
On demand	92 1/2
Governments, Bank's Buying Rate	\$9.50
Gold Loan, 100 fine, per cent.	\$6
Bar Silver, per oz.	\$26

EXCHANGE RATES.

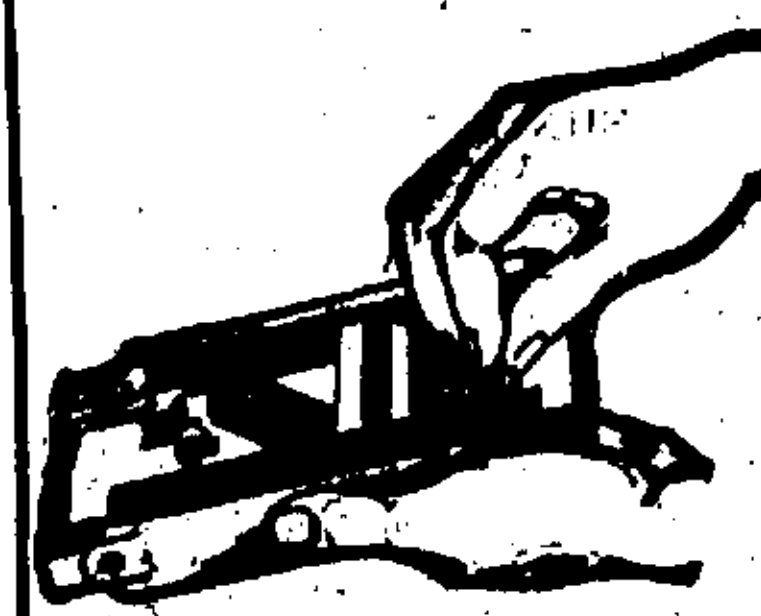
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Paris	134
Brussels	34.97
Amsterdam	12.14
Berlin	20.52
Copenhagen	28.81
Vienna	34.52
Helsinki	194
Lisbon	2.17/32
Bucharest	770
Buenos Aires	47.17/32
New York	48.37/32
Geneva	39.32
Milan	59.12/16
Stockholm	16.17
Oslo	18.51
Prague	18.44
Madrid	27.61
Athens	307
Rio	5.27/32
Bombay	1/5 31/64
Shanghai	2/6
Hong Kong	2/0
Silver (spot)	26
Silver (forward)	25 1/2

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Sinners	\$9 buy.
United Asbestos	\$20 nom.
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TWO "INFANTS" AND A MORTGAGE.

SECOND PLAINTIFF'S
EVIDENCE.

SHARP CROSS EXAMINATION
PASSAGES.

At the Supreme Court yesterday morning, before the acting Chief Justice (Mr. Justice J. R. Wood) Mr. F. C. Jenkin concluded his cross-examination of Loo Kwong Lam, the first plaintiff in the mortgage case which has now been in progress before the Court since Monday of this week.

In the afternoon Mr. H. G. Sheldon re-examined this witness, and the second plaintiff, Loo Kwong Hin, brother of the first plaintiff, was then called and tendered his evidence in chief. He was cross-examined by Mr. Jenkin later, but cross-examination had not concluded at 4.30 when the Court adjourned until Morning morning.

The case is to be continued on Monday and Tuesday, and will then be set aside until the following week owing to the Criminal Sessions.

The plaintiff, Loo Kwong Lam, had been in the box two and a half days when he concluded testifying yesterday.

The case concerns a mortgage for \$400,000 on Hong Kong property left by the plaintiffs' father, and the two plaintiffs claim the annulment of the mortgage on the ground that they were "infants" on February 10th, 1925, when the transaction was put through.

Mr. Eldon Potter, K.C., and Mr. H. G. Sheldon (instructed by Mr. D. L. Strellett) are for plaintiffs, and Mr. F. C. Jenkin (instructed by Mr. G. G. N. Tinson, of Messrs. Stokes and Master) is for the defendants.

Further Cross-Examination.

The first defendant, under further cross-examination, said that the first time he had heard of the period of the mortgage was in the course of correspondence with his brother (the second plaintiff).

Mr. Jenkin: I put it to you that that is false and that you knew of the period and all about the mortgage from the very first.

Witness denied this.

Counsel suggested that plaintiff knew that the mortgagees had power to sell the property if the debt was not paid, also that they had the right to take possession of the property and collect the rents, following failure to pay.

Plaintiff denied this and said that the first he knew of it was when the mortgagees actually did this.

Plaintiff continued that the effect of the "infancy" of himself and his brother and the details of the mortgage were first explained when they consulted the late Mr. Lyson, solicitor.

Mr. Lyson told them that as they were "infants" in English law, the agreement was not binding.

With regard to various settlements which had been proposed before the mortgage plaintiff said he had heard that one of the settlements proposed was that the property, whether houses, land, or money should be divided into 17 shares, each of the beneficiaries to take one. He was told by his brother that the property would be valued by T. L. Sung and Leung Wing Cheung, and if that arrangement was carried out the action would be withdrawn.

Mr. Jenkin questioned witness with regard to his knowledge of a release to the trustees. Plaintiff denied he was told there would be a release for the trustees in the event of a settlement, but added that he heard it in his lawyer's office after the action had started.

Did you not hear a suggestion from Lo Lim Yuk's solicitors that the trustees should sell the property and pay over the proceeds to 17 beneficiaries as and when the property was sold—I have heard my brother say so.

His Lordship: Are there 17 sons altogether?

Mr. Jenkin replied there were really 18, three of them being grandsons, and one absent in America.

Mr. Potter said there were sixteen sons, with Lo Lim Yuk getting a larger share, so there were 17 beneficiaries altogether. There was a slight difference on the point but it was not material.

Mr. Jenkin: Did your brothers tell you that they were proposing to take over the whole of the property and mortgage it to obtain the money for paying out the share?

No.

Mr. Jenkin produced letters bearing on the points in question, and plaintiff said he had seen some of them in a solicitor's office, but he could not say for certain which he had seen. He denied that Lo Lim Yuk's solicitors told him that they had sent along a draft release.

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THE KIDNAPPED UNCLE CASE.

ORDERS FROM "SECRET
MILITARY SERVICE."

NEPHEW "LUCKY TO HAVE
BEEN TRIED HERE."

In passing sentence on the man who had kidnapped his youthful uncle, Mr. R. E. Lindell said that the man was lucky to have been tried in the Colony. Had the case been heard in Shekhi, he would have been shot.

The nephew, who was the black sheep of the family, was charged with kidnapping his 12 year old uncle. He was brought up on remand at the Central Magistracy yesterday.

Mr. McCallum, for the defence, said that the uncle's mother intended to remarry and being afraid that the step-father would cause the boy to be neglected, the good nephew became concerned about his uncle's future and took it upon himself to safeguard the latter's interest by planning a military career for him. He was supposed to have consulted the mother and to have got her consent.

When the accused went into the witness box, however, the defence was turned topsy-turvy. His own story was that he worked for the "military secret service" at Wanchai in Chinese territory across the bay from Macao. His commanding officer one day pointed a revolver at his head and ordered him to come to Hong Kong to raise \$200, telling him in no uncertain terms that he would be shot if he failed. He took the boy to Shekhi and left him in the safe custody of friends and then returned to Hong Kong to raise the \$200, ostensibly for the boy's ransom, but in fact the price of his (accused's) own life.

In passing sentence Mr. Lindell said accused was lucky that he was brought back to Hong Kong. Had he been tried at Shekhi he would undoubtedly have been sentenced to be shot.

A Brother's Debts.

At the outset of the afternoon hearing, the first plaintiff was re-examined by Mr. Sheldon.

Asked if there was any reason for the sale by him of the Macao property assigned to him (referred to at Thursday's hearing), plaintiff said the reason for the disposal of this property was because an older brother (Lo Kwong Wai) asked him to realise on the property because of his (Lo Kwong Wai's) debts.

Witness did so in order to assist his brother in meeting these debts.

Plaintiff further stated that the approximate amount realised by the sales came to between \$20,000 and \$30,000, and in addition to this he also gave Lo Kwong Wai some more cash.

Mr. Sheldon: Is that the reason that Lo Kwong Wai gives you money when you ask him for it?

Plaintiff: Since letting him have this money he has let me have money.

Second Plaintiff.

The next witness called was the second plaintiff, Loo Kwong Hin, who said he was born on August 2nd, 1905. He was educated at St. Stephen's College, and left there in December, 1924.

After speaking of events leading up to the history of the dispute, spoke of Sung offering his help at witness spoke of Sung offering his help at a charge of \$8,000, for which amount he (witness) signed a promissory note.

Dealing with the actual signing of the mortgage at a solicitors' office, witness said that Loo Kwong Wai told him to sign it and he would get his share. Loo Kwong Wai signed first and he and his brothers also signed.

Plaintiff said that none of the documents were interpreted and at the time he did not know what he was signing.

Speaking of his expectation of a share of what his father left, witness said he had always been told by his brothers, even while he was at school, that his share would be about a lakh. After the documents had been signed he was told he would get more than \$50,000.

Witness spoke of going to Wing On's where the cheque was cashed, and then proceeding to Sung's house, where Sung gave him \$2,000 in cash and a cheque. Sung gave him back his promissory note which he tore up in front of those present.

Witness then gave evidence similar to that of his brother, the first plaintiff. Cross examined by Mr. Jenkin, witness said that on the way to the solicitors' office he knew that among the documents he was going to sign was a mortgage.

After further cross-examination the case was adjourned until Monday morning.

The witness is the last one to be called for the plaintiff's case.

FIGHTING FOR A JOB.

FIVE SIKHS CHARGED WITH
ASSAULT.

LOADED STICKS USED ON
No. 1 WATCHMAN.

Yesterday at the Central Magistracy 5 Sikh watchmen were charged before Mr. R. E. Lindell, with assaulting several of their countrymen.

The defendants were represented by Mr. D. McCallum and Mr. T. H. King, Director of Criminal Intelligence prosecuted. Mr. Leo d'Almeida also appeared to watch the case on behalf of the prosecution.

At the commencement of the hearing, Mr. McCallum told the Court that he had issued cross-summons against the complainants.

It appeared from the evidence of one of the complainants who is the head watchman at Messrs. A. S. Watson & Co.'s depot at Connaught Road Central, that two of the defendants had assaulted him on May 5th at about 5 p.m. Complainant was going his round when he saw the two men standing near the waterfront. They were alleged to have abused him first but he said nothing and they then came up to him and struck him with sticks heavily loaded at the end with iron. He was knocked unconscious and had to be carried to the Government Civil Hospital in an ambulance. The only motive he could give for the assault was that one of the defendant was dismissed from the employ of Messrs. A. S. Watson & Co., for neglect of duty.

Cross-examined by Mr. McCallum the complainant said that jobs in Watson's are very much sought after by Indians.

Mr. McCallum: Are all jobs around the Central district sought after by Indians?—I do not know.

Mr. McCallum: You employed watchmen for and on behalf of Watson's?—Yes.

Mr. McCallum: If they are to be dismissed, you are the one to dismiss them?—Not necessarily.

Mr. McCallum: But your influence goes a long way?—No.

Mr. McCallum: Are you a Sikh?—Yes.

Mr. McCallum: Is it usual for Sikhs to shave their faces?—No.

Mr. McCallum: I take it you shave yours?—No, I have short beard.

An Indian Police constable testified to picking up the complainant in an unconscious state at Connaught Road Central. He went there in response to police whistle. He found a big crowd of Chinese around complainant, but he could not see whether there were any Indians there or not.

The Magistrate adjourned the case, setting next Wednesday and Thursday aside for the hearings.

A CHINESE WOMAN "DOCTOR"?

STRANGE BEHAVIOUR AND
CHARGED WITH THEFT.

A Chinese woman who was charged at Kowloon Magistracy yesterday with the larceny of clothing and a wrist watch from a house in Shanghai Street stated that she was a doctor, and had received a call from the house in question to attend a sick child.

The complainant, who lives at 391 Shanghai Street, first floor, said that she was coming out of her cubicle on Thursday morning when she saw defendant with the stolen goods.

An Inspector said that on the way to the police station in charge of a Chinese detective, the woman attempted to escape, but was brought back again. At the police station she lay down on the floor for 20 minutes, pretending to be dead. When the police attempted to take her finger prints, she "kicked up a terrible row."

The defendant said she had not stolen the articles. As soon as she entered the house, complainant grasped her jacket and asked her what she had come for; she replied that she had come to attend a sick child. She had her medicines, powders and charms with her.

Complainant said that the woman had no medicines or charms, nor had she been sent for. Defendant then remarked, "Come, you must not tell any lies, good woman."

The defendant was remanded until to-day to enable the police to make inquiries.

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TROOP MOVEMENTS.

DWINDLING REVENUE.

(FROM OUR CHINESE CORRESPONDENT.)

The Canton Foreign Office is now without a head of responsibility and influence, it is said, and the staff is internally divided, some still being inclined towards Mr. Eugene Chen, the Minister at Hankow, while others favour Dr. Wu Chao Chu (Dr. C. C. Wu), the new Minister at Nanking. Mr. Wei Yuk is acting Commissioner for Foreign Affairs at Canton, by appointment of Mr. Eugene Chen, but it is understood that Mr. Foo Ping Sheung, a brother-in-law of Dr. Wu, is seeking for the same office.

Pro-Chiang Kai Shek militarists in Canton report that the leading militarists in Yunnan and Kweichow Provinces are supporting the Nanking faction of the Revolutionary Army. This is contrary to another report that Yunnan and Kweichow will join Marshal Wu Pei Fu at Hankow. To the followers of Marshal Wu Pei Fu, the Hankow and Nanking faction alike are "Reds" and to be suppressed by military force.

More than 30,000 troops are being concentrated on the Kwangtung borders in order to march on Kiangsi and Hunan, provinces which are still unfriendly to the Nanking faction in the present Chinese political-military muddle. These troops are under the command of General Chien Ta Chuan, whose proposed advance will, it appears, be in the direction of Kiangsi with Nanchang as the objective. General Chien does not favour the old Chinese military practice of enrolling surrendered troops into his own army, and some of his subordinates who began to adopt this plan have been instructed to stop.

Since the movement of troops for Kiangsi and Hunan, many West River tow-boats have been commandeered for army transportation, but what has become the greatest nuisance of all is the enrolment of coolies for war service in Canton City and other towns.

The s.s. *Kung Ping*, a China Merchants S.N. Company vessel now in Canton, has been showing some sign of activity, and it is generally believed that the Company will soon be able to regain possession of all their vessels.

The revenue receipts of Kwangtung, which for some time past have been about \$6,000,000 monthly, have fallen considerably since April 15th, when the drive against the "Reds" commenced. They are now about \$1,000,000 in arrears. During the absence of Mr. T. V. Soong, the Financial Minister, the duties were carried out by Mr. Li Shing Yi, the Chief Secretary to the Ministry. On April 15th, Mr. Li was arrested as a "Red," and he is now a prisoner at Whampoa.

Mr. Fan Chi Mu, some time Mayor of Swatow, has been appointed Chinese Salt Inspector in Canton City. Formerly the salt inspection duty was carried on by agents appointed by Peking and a foreign assistant inspector also co-operated in the work. Since the independence of Canton from Peking, the foreign representative at Canton has been given but little chance of actual supervision of the collection of the tax on behalf of the creditors.

The Canton Journalists' Union have been ordered by the Canton Military Authorities to forbid their members serving as correspondents for the *Wah Tze Yat Po*, the *Kung Sheung Po*, and the *Tai Kwong Po* daily newspapers in Hong Kong.

So far as is known to the Chinese public, these journals have been "anti-Red" throughout, and if the Canton Authorities are actually "anti-Red" in sympathy these newspapers should be regarded as a support rather than as detrimental to the Canton cause.

The standing committee administering Canton affairs for the time being consists of General Li Tsai Hsin, General Officer Commanding the Troops in Kwangtung; Mr. Chu Chia Hui, Commissioner of Civil Affairs; Mr. Hsu Chung Ching, Commissioner of Education; and Mr. Chen Yung, Commissioner of Justice.

Tow-boats plying between Canton and ports in the vicinity are receiving as many as 12 blackmailing letters daily, calling for payments to secure immunity from piracy attacks.

WIRELESS FROM CANTON.

Reference has already been made to the protest against foreign vessels using their wireless when in Canton harbour and it was stated that the matter was being referred to the Foreign Consuls on Shamenee. The *Canton Gazette* quotes Mr. Wong Chun Min, the Chief of the Canton Wireless Station, as stating that no foreign vessel, mercantile or naval, should operate their wireless equipment when in Port.

In asking the Military Authorities to instruct the Foreign Office to take up the matter with the various Consuls, Mr. Wong points out that the work of the Government station has recently been much interfered with in consequence of the collision of electric waves originating from the Government station and the foreign vessels in harbour equipped with wireless. Despite warning signals given by the Government station, these foreign vessels communicate regularly with other places by means of their wireless apparatus, thus causing delay, and in some cases interruption, to the messages to be transmitted by the Government station. This, he says, must not be allowed to continue, as many urgent military messages cannot be delayed.

Mr. Wong cites the international wireless convention regulation prohibiting the dispatch of wireless messages by any nation's vessel after entering a port where a wireless land station is in existence. It is also pointed out that the Hong Kong Government used to seal up the wireless operating room on board Chinese gunboats upon their arrival in Hong Kong harbour.

MRS. LIAO CHUNG KAI.

It is announced that a telegram refusing to accept her resignation has been sent by the Canton Provincial Government to Mrs. Liao Chung Kai.

The telegram, dated May 9th, which was sent to Mrs. Liao at Hankow was as follows:

"We request you to continue holding your different offices without retirement. As requested, it is our decision to maintain the Peasant and Labour School. As to the Whampoa Academy and the peasants and labourers in general, they are now being much better treated than previously, as true support can be afforded only after the removal of malicious obstruction."—(Sd.) Provincial Government of Kwangtung, Canton.

THE FAMILY ROW.

According to the *Canton Gazette* Marshal Feng Yu Hsiang, in reply to a telegram from Chiang Kai Shek, has stated that the Kuomintang will co-operate with the Cantonese army in the revolution. A translation of Marshal Feng's telegram is as follows:

"Chiang Kai Shek, Commander-in-Chief, Nanking.

"Your telegram of the 30th is at hand. We hold the highest admiration for your revolutionary endeavours, and we, the Kuomintang, declare our firm faith in the alliance with the Revolutionary Army and our determination to enforce the San Min Principles.

"Neither success nor failure will be able to hinder our task.

"We beg to avail ourselves of your military tactics in the campaign. But we hope also that the family row will soon cease so that we may begin an era of reconstruction and fulfil our revolutionary aim."—FENG YU HSIANG, April 22nd."

CHIANG KAI SHEK'S LOAN.

PROTEST FROM NORTHERN TUCHUNS.

TALK OF PEACE DENIED.

TANG SHENG CHI'S ATTITUDE.

(Asiatic News Service.)

PEKING, April 30th.

Generals Chang Tsung Chang and Sun Chuan Fang have jointly circulated the various provinces protesting against the issue of twenty million treasury notes by the Nanking Government with the receipts of the Washington surtaxes as security and threatening to punish all Chinese bankers who dare to assist its flotation. It seems both Chang and Sun are confident of the re-capture of the Lower Yangtze territories, including Shanghai and Nanking, from the hands of Chiang Kai Shek and they also emphatically deny the recent Japanese reports that "Northern Tsuchuns" were appealing for peace with the Cantonese Commander.

CHIANG'S NOTE TO JAPAN.

(Asiatic News Service.)

SHANGHAI, April 30th.

According to Nanking despatches, General Chiang Kai Shek, in reply to the Japanese Note ament the recent outrages committed by the Hunanese troops against Japanese subjects, expressed the deep regret of the Kuomintang Government and promised punishment of rioters after investigation, as well as non-repetition of similar incidents in the future.

The Cantonese Commander-in-Chief also guaranteed the safety of Japanese residents within the territories controlled by the Kuomintang Army. It is noteworthy that in the same way as Eugene Chen, Chiang Kai Shek praised the Japanese Naval Commanders for their sagacity and foresight in not joining the American and British Commanders in opening fire on the Chinese. It is believed Chiang is taking a leaf out of Chen's book in dealing separately with Japan.

AGAINST ALL COMERS.

(Asiatic News Service.)

PEKING, April 30th.

According to despatches received by the Fengtien headquarters, General Tang Sheng Chi, Commander-in-Chief of the Kuomintang Hunan army, has declared his non-allegiance to either the Kuomintang or the Kuomintang (Communists). General Tang declares his determination to defend the Liang-Hu Provinces against all invaders.

TIENTSIN CONCESSION.

(Asiatic News Service.)

PEKING, April 30th.

For the purpose of hastening the completion of the work, the members of the Chinese delegation in connection with the retrocession of the British Concession in Tientsin assembled again at the Fengtien conference. The draft regulations were discussed, article by article, and passed by the delegates and they will submit them to the consideration of the British Commissioners shortly. It is stated in Chinese official circles that everything is proceeding in a satisfactory manner; but owing to unstable political conditions, the Chinese authorities are deeply handicapped by funds, which will be required for the purchase of certain municipal properties from the hands of the British Municipality, if the Hankow Agreement is to be followed by the Chinese.

CHINESE Y.M.C.A.

(Asiatic News Service.)

TAINANFU, April 29th.

Immediately after the departure of the American Chairman, the Chinese soldiers searched the premises of the Y.M.C.A. at Tainanfu and arrested its Chinese Vice-Chairman, Mr. Chang Chen Tou, as well as two other important departmental chiefs. A considerable amount of propaganda material has been seized by the police.

It is stated in official circles that General Chang Tsung Chang has intercepted undeniable proofs that the Y.M.C.A. staff was in secret intercourse with the Cantonese regarding the organization and discipline of the Shantung army and this led to the raid by soldiers.

At the same time, the American President of the Shantung Christian College has left Tainanfu and the college is now under the control of the native Christians. The American flag has been hauled down by the officials.

THE NEW TROOPS.

WELCH REGIMENT DUE TO-MORROW.

SCOTS GUARDS AND OTHERS ON MONDAY.

The s.s. *Derbyshire*, with the 2nd Batt. Welch Regiment and the 56th Field Company, R.E., is due early to-morrow (Sunday) morning.

The *City of Marseilles* with the 15th Infantry Brigade Headquarters, the 2nd Batt. Scots Guards and the 10th Field Ambulance and the *Nevassa*, with the 1st Queen's Royal Regiment and the 1st Northhamptons are expected on Monday. It is believed that the *City of Marseilles* will be here about noon and the *Nevassa* later in the day.

The two other transports, the *Neuralia* and the *City of Poona* are due in about a fortnight's time.

As previously announced the Scots Guards, the Welch Regiment and the Northhamptons will be accommodated at the Peninsula Hotel. The 1st Queen's Royal Regiment will go to Wellington, Victoria and Lyemun Barracks. The Brigade Headquarters will be established at Whitfield Barracks.

The 2nd Battalion of the Scots Guards, says a home paper, has a popular collection of subalterns, among them Lord Ramesay, son and heir of Lord Dalhousie; Mr. Frank Usher, who, at Chipping North a few weeks ago, won the Brigade of Guards Race; Mr. Archie Crabbe, one of the tallest men in the Guards; Mr. William Lindsay, son of Lord Lindsay's brother and heir; and Mr. A. V. Campbell Douglas, who stroked the Oxford boat a few years ago. The list includes the two brothers, Mr. James and Mr. Andrew Drummond-Moray, sons of the Hon. Mrs. Drummond-Moray, of Abercainy. At least one of the four O.C.s going out to Hong Kong in the new brigade has seen service in China before. Lieut. Col. Stuart Thunders, the 1st Northhamptons, served with the 1st Chinese Regiment at Wei-hai-Wei for two years.

The Send Off.

Stirring scenes were witnessed at Southampton on April 11th, when the 2nd Battalion of the Scots Guards, the 2nd Battalion of the Welch Regiment, and two companies of the 1st Battalion of the Northhamptons, with auxiliary units and small drafts of the Middlesex Regiment and the Green Howards, left for the Far East. Their departure was witnessed by Lieut. General Sir Walter Campbell, Quarter-Master-General to the Forces, Major-General A. A. McHardy, Director of Movements and Quartering, General Sir Alexander Godley, Commander-in-Chief, Southern Command, Major-General G. Freeth, General in Charge of Administration, Southern Command, and Coy. W. Dugan, Assistant Adjutant-General, Southern Command.

Officers and men of the 1st Guards Battalion, with wives and families of the voyaging troops, came from London by special train. Lord Methuen, Honorary Colonel of the regiment, also witnessed the sailing of the Battalion, and just before the *City of Marseilles* left three cheers for the veteran Field Marshal were given with great heartiness.

While the transport *Nevassa*, with 1,000 troops was berthing at Southampton, a small craft of the broadside and pushed her on to the *City of Marseilles*. One of the *Nevassa's* starboard lifeboats was sunk, another had a large hole in it, and another was slightly damaged. Some of the *Nevassa's* plates were dented. A lifeboat was torn from the derricks on the starboard side of the *City of Marseilles*, and several feet of railings were ripped and buckled. No one was injured.

New Cruisers and Gunboats for China.

Orders have been issued concerning the disposal of the four river gunboats for duty in China which are now being completed by Messrs. Vickers & Co., on the Clyde. H.M.S. *Peterel*, which should be finished in July, will be manned from Portsmouth, and will join the Yangtze flotilla as an additional unit. H.M.S. *Tern*, due for completion in August, is to be manned from Chatham, and is to relieve the *Woodcock*. H.M.S. *Gannet*, due in September, will be manned from Devonport, and is to relieve the *Woodcock*. H.M.S. *Semtex*, which should be finished in October, will be manned from Chatham, and is to replace the *Robin*, one of the five gunboats on the West River. The *Woodcock*, *Woodlark*, and *Robin* were all completed in 1898, and are

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THE LATE MR. MARTIN.

VICTIM OF THE S.S. "LEUNG KWONG" DISASTER.

THE FUNERAL.

The dead body of the European, which had been recovered by the Water Police launch No. 6 under the charge of Sgt. Pearson on Thursday afternoon on the south shore of Capsuimun Pass, was yesterday identified as that of Mr. Frederick Elliot Armstrong Martin, chief officer of the ill-fated *Leung Kwong*, which was sunk in a collision at Capsuimun Pass on Monday night.

The late Mr. Martin was very well-known in the Colony, having first come here as a member of the ship's company of H.M.S. *Waterwitch* in 1906-7. Inspector Bond of the Water Police, who had retired on pension some two months ago was one of his shipmates.

After he had taken his discharge from the Navy, he obtained his first employment in the Colony in the Hong Kong Hotel. Sometime later he went into constructional work at North Point for the Hong Kong Electrical Company. He had also been at one time manager of the Ming Yuen Gardens.

He returned to the sea after receiving his mate's ticket from Commander Beckwith. He was then with the s.s. *On Lee* and remained on her up to the time when she was pirated. It was rather an odd coincidence that the same vessel should go to his rescue on Monday night, but failed to pick him up.

After the piracy of the *On Lee*, the late Mr. Martin again gave up the sea and took a job with the Hong Kong Tugs and Lighters. He had only joined the *Leung Kwong* about two months ago.

Mr. Martin was prominently associated with the Masonic circle, and his genial personality will be missed by all who knew him. He leaves a widow and one son, who is at present studying at St. Joseph's College.

Funeral Last Night.

The funeral took place yesterday evening at the Protestant Cemetery Happy Valley.

The service was performed by the Rev. T. Waldegrave.

The chief mourners were Mr. Martin's young son, Master L. I. Martin, and his sister-in-law, Mrs. L. A. Sutton. Others present were Messrs. J. Yeo, H. Watt, T. Williams, E. Manning, A. W. Hill and Miss B. Gandall.

Wreaths were received from the following relatives and friends:—Mrs. F. E. A. Martin and son, Mrs. L. A. Sutton, Messrs. E. Manning, A. W. Hill, T. Williams, Ah Chai, Yam Sin, Miss B. Gandall, Mrs. Gobbin, Rev. T. Waldegrave, and a number of Chinese friends.

Wreaths were also sent by the Eastern Scotia Lodge, Naval and Military Chapter, Officers and Staff of the Missions to Seamen.

THE "LEUNG KWONG" TRAGEDY.

MORE DEAD BODIES RECOVERED.

The Water Police yesterday recovered another ten dead bodies in the vicinity of the wreck of the s.s. *Leung Kwong* at Capsuimun Pass. Among the corpses were those of two bodies about 2 years of age.

These are now at the Kowloon Mortuary awaiting identification.

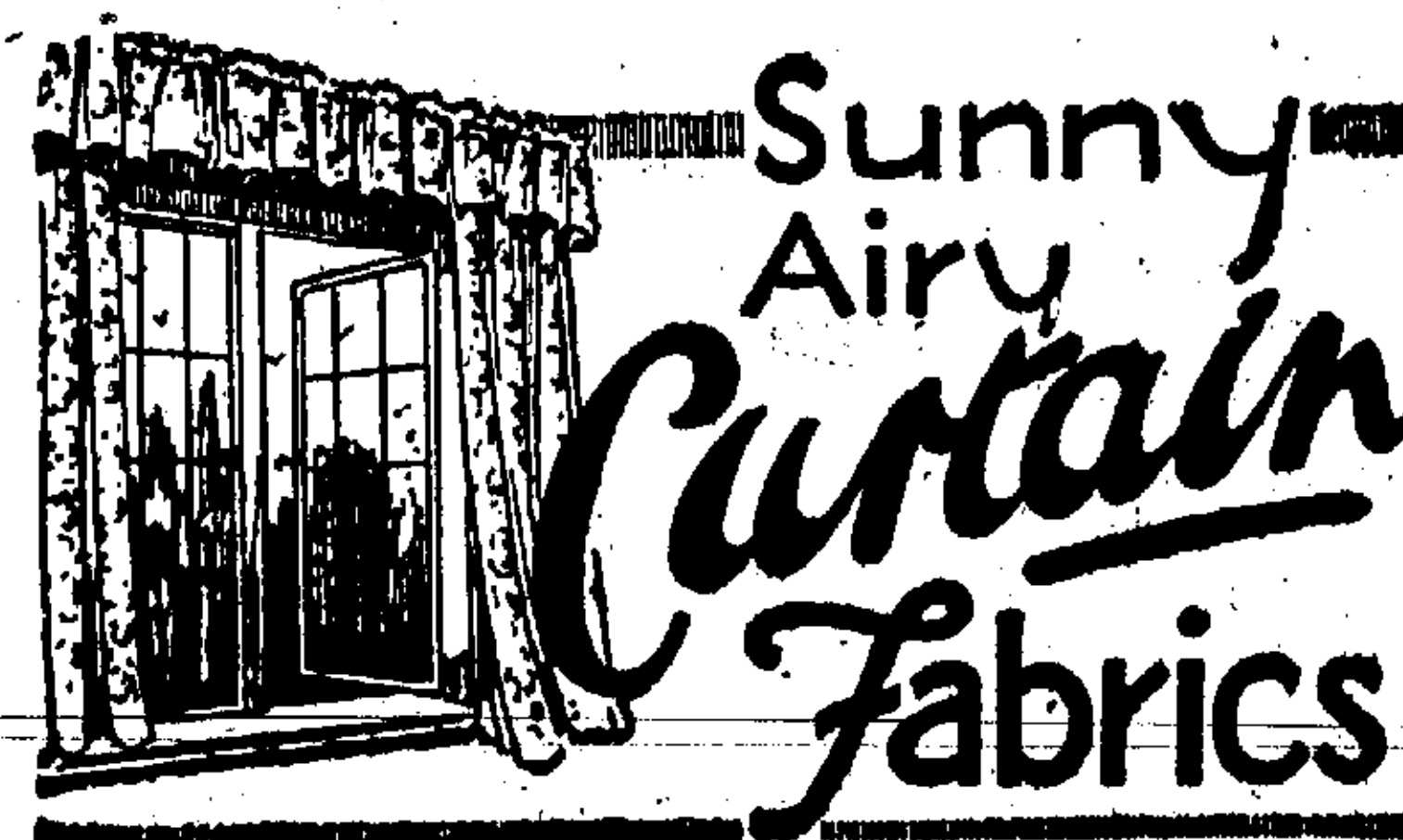
now worn out. They each carry ten small guns. The four new vessels are larger and faster, and carry two, 3-in. and eight smaller guns.

Arrangements have been made for the crews for the new river gunboats, *Peterel* and *Tern*, to proceed to China in the steamship *Novara*, due to sail from London about May 21st. The commanding officer of the *Peterel* is to be Lieut. Comdr. H. E. Heaton, who had command of submarines in the war, in the Dover Patrol, and elsewhere.

Revised dates for the completion of the first five cruisers of the replacement programme, begun in 1924 under the Labour Ministry, show that the *Cumberland*, at Messrs. Vickers, should be ready in June, and the *Berwick*, at the Fairfield Company, in July. The three dockyard ships will be a little later: the *Cornwall*, at Devonport, in September; the *Suffolk*, at Portsmouth, in October; and the *Kent*, at Chatham; not until about January, 1928. All are to go to the China Station to replace older ships.

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The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from 9th MAY, 1927, to the 14th MAY, 1927, Both Days inclusive.

By Order of the Board of Directors,
S. J. JORDAIN,
Secretary.

Hong Kong, 2nd May, 1927. [4897]

CHINA UNDERWRITERS, LIMITED.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that by a Resolution of the General Managers of the Company made on the 11th DAY OF MAY, 1927, For Share has been made upon the Members of the Company payable on or before the 12th DAY OF AUGUST, 1927, to the Company's Bankers, THE HONG KONG & SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

Dated this 11th Day of May, 1927.

SHEWAN, TOMES & CO.,
General Managers.

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HONG KONG & SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Certificate No. 5/NS 9345 dated Hong Kong, 20th July, 1923, for Twelve Shares, numbered 13050/13051 inclusive, and Certificate No. 5/NS 10416 dated Hong Kong, 6th APRIL, 1925, for Six Shares numbered 56746 to 56750 and 131549 inclusive, all registered in the Name of AUGUSTE MAURICE CHAMRION, have been LOST or STOLEN, and should these Certificates not be produced to the Bank before the 10th JUNE, 1927, New Certificates for the Shares will be issued and the said Certificates Nos. 5/NS 9345 and 5/NS 10416 will be thereafter treated by this Corporation as Null and Void.

By Order of the Court of Directors,
A. C. HYNES,
Acting Chief Manager.

Hong Kong, 11th May, 1927. [4909]

HONG KONG BOXING ASSOCIATION.

EIGHTH TOURNAMENT OF THE SEASON.

SATURDAY, 14th MAY, 1927,
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THE CANTON INSURANCE OFFICE, LTD.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE FORTY-SIXTH ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS will be held at the Office of the Company, Exchange Building, Des Voeux Road, Hong Kong, on SATURDAY, 17th MAY, 1927, at Noon, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the General Accounts, together with a Statement of Accounts for the Year ended the 31st DECEMBER, 1926.

The SHARE REGISTER and TRANSFER BOOKS will be CLOSED from the 3rd to the 17th MAY, 1927, Both Days inclusive.

JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., Ltd.,
General Agents,
Hong Kong, 26th April, 1927. [4840]

UNION INSURANCE SOCIETY OF CANTON, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the FIFTY-FOURTH ORDINARY YEARLY MEETING of the Society will be held at the Head Office, UNION BUILDING, Hong Kong, on FRIDAY, 20th MAY, 1927, at 11 o'clock a.m. for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors and the Statement of Account to 31st DECEMBER, 1926, and of declaring Dividends, etc.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Society will be CLOSED from MAY 14th to MAY 20th, Both Days inclusive.

By Order of the Board,
PAUL LAUDER,
General Manager.

Hong Kong, April 25th, 1927. [4835]

BRITISH TRADERS' INSURANCE COMPANY, LTD.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the SIXTY-FIRST ORDINARY YEARLY MEETING of the Company will be held at its Head Office, UNION BUILDING, Hong Kong, on FRIDAY, 20th MAY, 1927, at 11.15 a.m. for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors and the Statement of Account to 31st DECEMBER, 1926, and of declaring Dividends, etc.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from MAY 4th to MAY 20th, Both Days inclusive.

By Order of the Board,
PAUL LAUDER,
General Manager.

Hong Kong, April 25th, 1927. [4836]

THE CHINA FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the FIFTY-EIGHTH ORDINARY YEARLY MEETING of the Company will be held at its Head Office, UNION BUILDING, Hong Kong, on FRIDAY, 20th MAY, 1927, at 11.20 a.m. for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors and the Statement of Account to 31st DECEMBER, 1926, and of declaring Dividends, etc.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from MAY 4th to MAY 20th, Both Days inclusive.

By Order of the Board,
PAUL LAUDER,
General Manager.

Hong Kong, April 25th, 1927. [4837]

DOUGLAS STEAMSHIP CO., LIMITED.

THE ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS.

IN the above Company will be held at the COMPANY'S OFFICES on SATURDAY, the 21st of MAY, 1927, at Noon, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the General Managers, together with a Statement of Accounts to the 31st DECEMBER 1926.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 17th to 21st of MAY, Both Days inclusive.

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Hong Kong, 6th May, 1927. [4897]

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The Daily Press.

HONG KONG, MAY 14th, 1927.

THE GENUINE BOLSHEVIK.

The leading article of the North
China Daily News of May 2nd
bears the headline "Who are the
Imperialists?" In the action which
is now being taken in China for
the suppression of the Communists,
the writer of the article sees a ray
of hope. "Nothing," he writes,

"but riot and disorder can come
out of Communism; you cannot
bring a clean thing out of the
unclean. . . . But who provoked
the strikes and prepared the slogans
to be shouted by the rabble? Who
taught them to cry, 'Down with
Britain, down with the Church,
down with Imperialism, down with
everything and up with loot and
immorality and murder!'"

These war cries were not inven-

tions of the hardworked coolies nor
the simple farmers. They emanated
in the first place from Moscow
and were propagated by students
who had been trained in Bolshevist
schools in Russia and in institu-

tions subsidized with Bolshevist
funds in China.

This is true, but the average
Britisher in China is quite vague
as to who the Bolsheviks are and
what they really want. He regards
them as nasty fellows who have an
active and quite unaccountable dis-

like of all things British. The
Russian Revolution took place
nearly ten years ago and the origin
and growth of Bolshevism is no
longer a mystery. That the mystery
idea still survives is due to the
torrents of senseless propaganda
with which the world has been
deluged. For this the blame must
be equally apportioned. The Bol-

sheviki on their side represented
the new order as something near
to perfection, while their oppo-

nents spoke of it, as the apotheosis
of all that is dark and evil—as
Hell on earth. Then doubts began
to creep in and many people began
to feel that both these versions were
fantastic. And so a new legend
spread, the legend, that so complex
was the Russian problem that the
truth concerning it was not dis-

coverable. Nothing could be more
absurd. There exists a wealth of
authentic documents about the
Russian Revolution and a number
of reliable books have been publish-

ed some of which have penetrated,
even to Hong Kong.

What are the facts? In the first
place the genuine Bolshevik, the
dominant mind of the Party, is a
man who will stop at nothing, who
is ready to break the most intimate
tie or to commit any crime for the
furtherance of his political aims.

A Bolshevik leader once complain-

ed to LENIN of a "comrade" who
had married a rich old woman that
he might extract money from her
for political purposes. "You would
not do such a thing, nor would
I," said LENIN. But he added,
"such men are useful and necessary
to us."

Mr. LANCELOT LAWTON, the
author of "The Russian Revolution,
1917-1926," was once present at
a quarrel between a well-known
Bolshevik and a Social Revolution-

ary in Paris, the cause of which
was the protest of the latter against
the Bolshevik practice of making
use of young women to get money
from wealthy men.

And the Bolsheviks have always
been frankly out to destroy. They
never made any pretence that such
destruction was an accidental con-

sequence. It was the deliberate
aim of the Revolution. In a
pamphlet, entitled "The State
and Revolution" published in
1917, LENIN wrote "The working
classes must shatter, break, blow
up the whole machine." Else-

where, he declared that not one
stone must be left upon another and
he insisted invariably and always,
that the problem was not one of
perfecting the machinery of a
State but of annihilating it. For
the State, was to LENIN, an organi-

sation of class domination. There-
fore it must be destroyed. For
universal suffrage he had nothing
but ridicule. It was a mere means
of universal domination. The State,
moreover, was composed mainly of
instruments, of special bodies of
armed men (soldiers and police)

who had prisons at their command
and who had become divorced from
Society and stood above it. The
immediate purpose of the Revolu-

tion was the destruction of the
State, or rather of the Army, the
Police, and the Bureaucracy of
which the Bolsheviks believed the
State to be composed. Any in-

dividuals who actively upheld the
State were to be destroyed. The
whole Capitalist structure of So-

ciety was to be wiped out. "Thus
in one leap," to quote Mr. STEPHEN
LAWTON again, "the Revolution
tried to go beyond the attain-

ment of any previous revolution
in history; it sought to accom-

plish not merely political, but also
economic changes of a profound
nature, and to deal a final blow
at what had always been regarded
as inseparable from human nature
itself, the desire for private prop-

erty and individual enterprise."

A fundamental condition of the
Bolshevik creed is that revolution
should be universal. The aim is the
setting up of a union of dictators
ships throughout the world. This
idea dominates all activities of
Bolsheviks. To them power in
Russia is merely a means to an
end, the end being the universal
overthrow of the Capitalist system.

To ask them to cease working for
this end, is to invite them to give
up being what they are and have
been nearly all their lives, men who
believe that they are appointed by
destiny to take the lead in dis-

ciplining all mankind to the ways
of Communism.

There are two Soviet spokesmen
now in Geneva. One, M. OSSINSKI,
urged, among other things, the
suspension of the Powers' interven-

tion in China in order to allow
China to work out her own evolu-

tion. The other, M. SKOLNIKOFF,
declared that the Soviets were will-

ing to co-operate with capitalist
countries. M. JOYEUX, the French
delegate, said that the Soviet dele-

gates' speeches showed that the
Soviets had abandoned their revolu-

tionary policy. But some doubted it.

On Thursday four Chinese cases
of enteric were reported.

Two capital concerts for Service
men were given last evening at the
"Cheer O" Y.M.C.A., Chater
Road, and at the "Better Ole,"
Kowloon.

For boiling opium in a house at
Cross Street, a Chinese was yester-

day morning sentenced by Mr. R.
E. Lindsell at the Central Magis-

tracy to two months' hard labour.

Mrs. Brock, employed in Powell's
ladies' dressmaking department,
has reported the theft from the
shop, between May 10th and 12th,
of four evening dresses valued \$129.

The fifth annual ordinary general
meeting of shareholders of Messrs.
Lane, Crawford, Ltd., will be held
this morning, at 11.30, in the offices
of the Company, Exchange Build-

ing.

The Chung Shing Charitable Asso-

ciation is giving a charitable con-

cert at Lee Garden this (Saturday)
evening. Among those to appear
will be Miss Chi Lo Lan, the well-

known local amateur singer and
dancer.

Shareholders are reminded that
the thirtieth ordinary annual meet-

ing of the China Provident Loan
and Mortgage Co., Ltd., will be
held to-day at noon at the offices
of the Company, St. George's
Building.

A farewell concert by St.
Stephen's Girls' College Students is
being given in the Great Hall of
the College this evening at eight
o'clock, in connection with the
pending departure from the Colony
of Miss Middleton Smith, the head-

mistress.

As the result of his motor cycle
skidding at the junction of Lower
Albert Road and Ice House Street
on Thursday afternoon Police-Lance
Sergeant Buckner was thrown
heavily and sustained injuries to
his head, arms and legs. He is now
in hospital.

The Rev. G. R. Lindsay, who re-

cently retired from the post of
Vicar of St. Andrew's Kowloon, has
been appointed by the Trustees to
the vicarage of St. Saviour, Ever-

ton, Liverpool. Mr. Lindsay filled
two curacies in Liverpool before
going to China.

The 2nd Welch Regiment is
expected to-morrow in the Derby-

shire, and they go to the Penin-

sula Hotel. On the same ship is
the 50th Field Co. R.E.'s. They
go to Shanghai. The 10th Field
Ambulance, arriving with the Scots
Guards will take up quarters at
King's College.

The King's Birthday Parade will
take place this year on Friday,
June 3rd, at Happy Valley. It is
expected that the hour chosen will
be 9 a.m., but further details will
be announced later. The parade
this year should have exceptional
interest owing to the presence of a
full brigade of troops, including
the Scots Guards, in addition to the
ordinary garrison and Volunteers.

A spectacular military display of
the kind that British regulars can
carry through to perfection may be
expected.

A Chinese was arrested at 1 a.m.
yesterday morning in Queen's
Road East. He had in his posses-

sion a chisel, and when taken be-

fore Mr. R. E. Lindsell later in
the day, the man said he was a
carpenter. The Magistrate wanted
to know why an honest carpenter
should be loitering the street at that
hour and carrying his tool with
him. The man then confessed that
he was a returned banished and had
come to the Colony to embark for
Singapore. He was sentenced to
three months' hard labour for
loitering and nine months for re-

turning from banishment.

Professor C. Thereses, from Liver-

pool, and Miss Marquette Senour,
from Kentucky, are going to give
a series of cabaret entertainments
and exhibition dances at the Cafe
Parisien, every evening at 9.30 p.m.,
starting this evening. There will
be classical, character, ballet and
the latest ball room dances includ-

ing recent developments in the
Charleston, Black Bottom, tango,
waltz, etc. They are also prepared
to give lessons. Between the
exhibition dances patrons of
the Cafe are asked to take the
floor. Professor Thereses will give
demonstrations of the easiest way
to master the Flat Charleston and
the Black Bottom.

A Chinese widow living at an
unnumbered matshat at Taupok-
lung, Yaumati, was the victim of
a robbery on Thursday night.

Three men entered at 12.30 a.m., by
forcing the door and stole property
worth \$251. She suspects her
nephew of being one of the robbers.

In the programmes of the Star
Theatre for to-day and Sunday, at
9.30 p.m. only, the "Desert Rats,"
Club and Radio Entertainers, will
give a short performance featur-

ing gold time songs and melodies.
Mr. R. C. Garstang, Baritone, T.
Brodie, Tenor and R. W. Robie,
piano accompanist, are the artists.

Miss Mary Hay, the New York
musical comedy star, who obtained
a divorce from Mr. Richard Bar-

thelme, the film star, some weeks
ago, has married Mr. Vivian Bath,
aged 21, an Englishman, who is in
a rubber business at Singapore.

The ceremony was performed at
Greenwich, Connecticut, and the
couple left on April 11th for Los
Angeles on the way to Singapore.

The enterprise of the "Forpro-

dist" Company, in conjunction
with Messrs. Connel Bros. Co., in
importing Seattle ice

EXPEDITION AGAINST HANKOW AND NANKING.

WHAT THE NORTHERN LEADERS HAVE BEEN DISCUSSING.

VIEWS OF SHANSI'S "MODEL GOVERNOR."

Shansi's "Model Governor," who has ostensibly thrown in his lot with the Nanking Nationalists, declares that no matter what government may ultimately be set up in Peking Shansi will remain independent.

Victories are claimed for the Fengtienese in their struggle with the Honan troops fighting on behalf of the "Reds."

Mr. Eugene Chen is now formally declared by the Nanking Government to have been relieved of his duties as Acting Foreign Minister.

SOUTHERNERS GENERAL DRIVE NORTHWARDS.

(Wah Tsz Yat Pao).

SHANGHAI, May 13th. Since the issue of a general attack by the Nanking Government on the Southerners, including Sun Chuan Fang's forces in orth Kiangsu and the Shantung troops along the Tientsin-Pukow Railway, those Nationalist troops who have moved across the Yangtze River, number some seven divisions. It is claimed that they have pushed the Shantung troops back about 35 miles from the Yangtze.

(Wah Tsz Yat Pao).

Shansi's Independence.

SHANGHAI, May 13th. General Yan Shih Shan declares that he would not take sides with the Communist section in view of the fact that the introduction of Communist doctrines in Shansi—the property class representing the majority of the Shansi people—would result in chaotic conditions. He also conveyed the view to Marshal Chang Tso Lin that he would continue to keep Shansi independent from the Peking Government, regardless of what Government might be set up in Peking.

TANG YAN TAT AND GEORGE HSU CHIEN.

(Wah Tsz Yat Pao).

SHANGHAI, May 13th. According to telegraphic reports from Hankow, Tang Yan Tat, a notorious "Red" leader and Political Chief of the Hankow Government, has gone to Honan, while George Hsu Chien has tendered his resignation both as Commissioner of the Judicial Department and Committee member of the Provincial Political Commission in Hupoh.

EUGENE CHEN LOSES HIS JOB.

[THROUGH REUTERS' AGENCY.]

SHANGHAI, May 13th. Simultaneously with the announcement that Dr. C. C. Wu had assumed office as Foreign Minister at Nanking, a mandate, promulgated by the Nanking Government, stated that Mr. Eugene Chen had been relieved of his duties as Acting Foreign Minister.

HANKOW QUIET ON THE SURFACE.

DISTINCT SIGNS OF UNEASINESS.

ANOTHER GENERAL "DISMISSAL."

[NAVAL WIRELESS.]

HANKOW, May 12th. On the surface Hankow is quiet, but among the officials there are distinct signs of uneasiness, and it is reported that many of the minor Government officers have taken advantage of any opportunity to leave Hankow.

Among the recent announcements of the Hankow Government is the dismissal from the Southern Army of General Yang Sen's anti-Southern movements recently reported.

False Reports Of Victory.

The native newspapers contain remarkable accounts of Southern victories, all of which are totally untrue. The Southerners have been defeated severely by the Fengtien force on the border, but the Northerners are not yet advancing.

In the last 48 hours large numbers of Southern troops have been sent from the river below Hankow to a big concentration north of the city.

A Food Shortage.

Food difficulties are increasing and the local Government is strictly enforcing rationing. All food has been commandeered by the Government. The authorities continue to commandeer all silver coins.

U.S. ADMIRAL GOING TO HANKOW.

[THROUGH REUTERS' AGENCY.]

SHANGHAI, May 13th. It is understood that Admiral Williams is shortly going to Hankow.

ECONOMIC CONFERENCE.

WORK PROGRESSING RAPIDLY.

DEFINITE RESOLUTIONS.

[THROUGH REUTERS' AGENCY.]

GENEVA, May 12th. The deliberations of the Economic Conference are progressing rapidly, and have yielded definite resolutions by various sub-committees, notably the sub-committee on tariffs, opposing subsidies. It expressed the hope that the Governments would do their utmost to refrain from subsidies, and also from dumping, as to which it recommends the establishment of universally applicable conditions of production and commerce, and the reduction of excessive customs tariffs.

The sub-committee on agriculture recommended the encouragement of the efforts of producers and consumers, and co-operative associations.

The sub-committee on commerce counsels international action to assure normal currents of international trade and commerce equally, and State and private enterprises. It recommends the conclusion of bilateral agreements to determine the best methods of defining the status of aliens, not only from an economic, but also from a legal and fiscal viewpoint.

THE MISSING SOVIET BALLOON.

BELIEVED TO BE IN A SIBERIAN FOREST.

[THROUGH REUTERS' AGENCY.]

MOSCOW, May 13th. It is believed the Soviet balloon, missing since April 30th, has descended in the forest region of Eastern Siberia, and that it will be some time before the airman reach a human habitation.

BRITISH CONCESSION AT CHINKIANG OCCUPIED.

[BRITISH WIRELESS SERVICE.]

RENGY, May 12th. The armed peasantry known as "Red Spears" are still operating on the Hupoh-Honan border, against the Southerners, and have destroyed bridges further south. Fengtien troops have reached Hupoh, beyond Chinkiang.

At Chinkiang, there is considerable troop movement down river towards Kueishan, and all available river transport has been commandeered by the Southern General Ho Ying Yin.

The Consulate offices and nearly all the foreign houses in the British Concession were yesterday occupied by troops despite proclamations by General Ho forbidding this action. The British Consular officer has requested the withdrawal of the troops.

The Communist force which was marching on Swatow is reported to have been dispersed at Peking.

COLONIAL QUESTIONS.

CO-ORDINATION IN RESEARCH.

[THROUGH REUTERS' AGENCY.]

LONDON, May 12th. The Colonial Conference discussed the proposal to create a common corps of research workers and experts.

Two rival aspects emerged from the discussion, firstly a common corps for the whole Colonial Empire, and secondly the grouping of various Colonies where local conditions are similar.

This question will be referred to the committee.

Another discussion related to pensions, and the difficulties of the local legislatures arising from a mixed service.

Two Alternatives.

[BRITISH WIRELESS SERVICE.]

RENGY, May 12th. The Colonial Conference to-day discussed proposals for creating a corps of research workers and experts. Arising out of the discussion, two alternatives emerged, one to create a pool which would be common to the whole Colonial Empire and the other a less ambitious scheme for grouping of various colonies which, in view of local conditions, might lend themselves to such grouping. The whole subject will be considered by a committee which has been selected with very wide terms of reference.

The Conference also discussed the question of pensions with particular reference to colonial pensions legislation.

BRITISH MINISTER IN SHANGHAI.

OBJECT OF THE VISIT.

[BRITISH WIRELESS SERVICE.]

RENGY, May 12th. With reference to rumors regarding the purpose of the visit which Sir Miles Lampson, the British Minister in Peking, is paying to Shanghai, it is emphatically stated that its sole purpose is to enable the Minister to study the situation himself and to consult with the Commander-in-Chief, Admiral Tyrwhitt, the Commander of the Shanghai Defence Force, General Duncan, and the British Consular officials there.

SENSATIONAL RAID IN LONDON.

RUSSIAN PREMISES IN THE HANDS OF POLICE.

EXHAUSTIVE SEARCH.

[THROUGH REUTERS' AGENCY.]

LONDON, May 12th. A sensational police raid was carried out at Arcos House, in the city of London, where the Soviet trading organisations, bank, and Russian trade delegation, have offices. Hitherto there have been no arrests.

Callers in the afternoon found all the doors guarded, and the police refused them admission.

The Russian Embassy are unaware of the reasons for the raid, which it is understood was a very exhaustive one, but omitted the rooms occupied by the trade delegation, which it is believed enjoy diplomatic immunity.

Pockets Turned Out.

LONDON, Later.

"They even made us turn out our pockets," declared a member of the Arcos staff on leaving the premises late to-day, referring to the thoroughness with which the police carried out the search, adding that they ransacked every department, especially the Russian trade delegation offices.

The examination was still proceeding late this evening, when General Sir Wyndham Childs, head of the special branch of Scotland Yard, arrived and entered the building, accompanied by a dozen or more police.

The bulk of the staff in the building, numbering several hundred, are still detained, half of them being English.

Thorough Examination.

LONDON, May 13th.

The police terminated their inspection at midnight. A strong guard, however, remained outside and inside the building all night long.

The examination of files, books, and papers will be resumed in the morning, prior to the arrival of the employees.

The signal for the raid was given when three plain-clothes officers took up a position at the entrance to the building. The street immediately became alive with police, who appeared to spring from nowhere and rushed to their allotted positions. Telephone communication with the Arcos building was cut off.

There was the greatest excitement among crowds thronging the street, numbers of whom remained until past midnight.

Attempt To Frustrate Police.

LATER.

It is understood that despite the suddenness of the police entry, an attempt was made to burn certain papers.

Some of the keys of the safes are at present missing. The raid is consequently likely to be protracted.

The building contains an enormous number of documents and papers, among which have been found a number of propaganda films.

Object Of The Raid.

LATER.

It is understood that the object of the raid was to discover copies of British diplomatic documents which ought not to have passed out of British possession.

A number of rifles and life preserves was confiscated.

Soviet Embassy To Protest.

The Soviet Embassy has decided immediately and formally to protest to the Foreign Office against the raid, and M. Rosenzweig, Charge d'Affaires, has arranged to see Sir Austen Chamberlain this afternoon.

Home Secretary Questioned.

In the House of Commons, Mr. Arthur Henderson (Labour) asked the Home Secretary whether it was upon his authority that the police raided the premises. If so, for what reason?

Sir W. Joynson-Hicks, whose rising was cheered by the Ministerialists, replied that information had been submitted to him, on Wednesday evening by the head of the police, whereupon he authorised the application of a warrant to search the premises. The search was still progressing, and he was unable to give further information for a day or two.

More Questions.

Comdr. Kenworthy (Labour) demanded an answer to the questions whether the Arcos or Trade Delegation had been raided, and whether M. Kinchuk, head of the Trade Delegation, had written regarding diplomatic immunity. He (Comdr. Kenworthy) also asked whether the Cabinet or Foreign Office had been consulted prior to the raid.

Sir W. J. Hicks replied that he was unable yet to state the exact position of the building where the Trade Delegation had been housed. The responsibility for the raid rested upon the Home Secretary.

Labourites closely questioned Sir W. J. Hicks with regard to the alleged searching of 100 British employees of Arcos.

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TRANS-ATLANTIC FLIGHT.

A THREE CORNERED RACE.

AMERICANS ABOUT TO START.

[REUTERS' AMERICAN SERVICE.]

NEW YORK, May 12th. The trans-Atlantic flight to Paris is now likely to develop into a three-cornered race.

The Americans, Bertrand and Chamberlain, are awaiting a favourable weather report prior to taking-off, while the former Air Mail pilot, Captain Lindbergh, has arrived at New York with a monoplane in which he intends, to attempt the flight alone.

Commander Byrd's machine is also taking up in a series of tests prior to hopping-off.

JAPAN'S MORATORIUM.

[THROUGH REUTERS' AGENCY.]

TOKYO, May 13th. The moratorium ended yesterday evening, but everywhere quiet is reported, and there are no signs of bank runs.

U.S. OIL PRODUCERS.

WASHINGTON, May 13th. Following the Oil Producers' appeal, nine oil companies controlling 75 per cent. of the production of the Seminole Oilfield, have agreed not to start or complete wells in the greater Seminole Area for a period of two weeks. Meanwhile, there is field surveying to obtain data with a view to a further restriction of drilling.

LAWN TENNIS.

FURTHER AMERICAN WINS IN HOLLAND.

[THROUGH REUTERS' AGENCY.]

THE HAGUE, May 13th. Tilden beat Kool, 7-5, 4-6, 6-3, 7-5; Hunter beat Timmer, 6-4, 6-3, 6-3. America thus winning by 4 matches to 1.

MISSION WORK IN CHINA.

WILL IT BE RESUMED.

Viscount Incheape, after his recent much-repeated expression of opinion about missionaries in China, will have some satisfaction in the news from Shanghai that missionary circles there are now contemplating the necessity of leaving China for a period of five years, if not entirely, says the China Express and Telegraph.

No less an authority than Bishop Birney, head of the Methodist Episcopalians, the paper continues, holds the view that if the Reds get the upper hand the retirement of all the foreign missionaries from China will follow automatically, and with reference to the workers now taking refuge in Shanghai, he says it is conjectural whether they will be able to return to their charges in the near future, if indeed ever. He is supported by Mr. Sheppard, Secretary of the British and Foreign Bible Society, who considers it problematical whether the missionaries will be able to resume their labours in China during this generation. These views are shared by the Rev. E. T. P. Scholes, of Leeds, who has returned to England from Central China, where he has been engaged in mission work since 1885.

It is not unlikely that the missionary societies who, in spite of the trouble, continued until recently to send recruits to China, will be confronted with the necessity of making important decisions when the big annual meetings take place next month. No respect has been shown for missionaries or missionary institutions by the Nationalists, and when no less than thirty-two influential missionaries, British and American, sign a manifesto condemning the anti-foreign activities of the National Christian Council of China, a body of their own making formed to create an independent Christian church for China, it seems time to sit up and take notice.

Sir W. J. Hicks replied that a warrant had been granted by a magistrate, not by the Home Secretary.

Several Conservatives declared that the Soviet Charge d'Affaires yesterday came straight to the Labour Party in the House of Commons instead of going to the Foreign Office, which one, amid Labourite laughter, described as a "gross breach of diplomatic etiquette."

Mr. Arthur Henderson said the Charge d'Affaires did come to the House of Commons to consult him, but previously he had done his utmost to get in touch with Sir Austen Chamberlain.

H.K. VOLUNTEERS.

SMOKING CONCERT AND PRIZE DISTRIBUTION.

LAST NIGHT'S GATHERING.

[REUTERS' AMERICAN SERVICE.]

It was remarked by the Commandant, Col. Bird, D.S.O., at the Hong Kong Volunteer Defence Corps' smoking concert and prize distribution at the Headquarters last night that the strength of the Corps had reached a higher point than ever before.

The Rifle Meeting prizes for the present year were presented by His Excellency Major-General C. C. Luard, C.B., C.M.G., Col. Bird presided.

Col. Bird said: The past season has been a very successful one. The strength of the Corps has reached a higher point than ever previous.

ly, though there are still a number of young men in the Colony who do not seem to realise their obligations. The Artillery Company last year were armed with 6-inch howitzers in place of the 5.5 howitzers hitherto used. At Ty Tau camp the new guns were fired, and according to the report, the results were fairly satisfactory.

For the second time, and for the second year in succession, the Artillery Company have succeeded in winning the Efficiency Cup. (Applause.) The Efficiency Cup is awarded to the unit that secures the highest percentage of men who attend the necessary number of drills, fire their musketry course, attend camp, and attend the G.O.C.'s inspection. Only one man failed to qualify for efficiency.

Better Than Ordinary Telephones.

The Engineer Company has also had a successful year. They have succeeded in winning the Musketry Cup and the Reconnaissance Cup. In camp the Field Section carried out practice in bringing and other work, and the Signal section secured radio-telephonic communication with Sha Tin and Tai Po. Interested in these telephones myself, and I found them to be clearer and more audible than ordinary telephones. (Laughter.)

The Light section has been depleted in numbers owing to the fact that two years ago we were given to understand that searchlights were a wash-out; but they seem to have become fashionable again, and we should welcome more recruits to this very interesting branch. (Applause.) There are a number of senior men who belonged to the Light section during the war, and I know they will come forward again.

The M.I. have been somewhat handicapped by the chaos in China, which has resulted in a shortage of ponies. I think the Jockey Club might be able to assist in this respect. I am sure we can rely upon the good service of that prominent steward of the Jockey Club, Mr. Whyte. (Applause.)

The Armoured Car and M.I. Companies have carried out much useful work during the last training season in the New Territories. The bad times we have been through have prevented us from securing a second armoured car and extra motor cycles, but I hope that will be rectified later on. During the present season, the Infantry and Scottish Companies will be trained in the use of the Vickers gun to compensate for shortage of numbers.

Band Being Formed.

The newly formed Portuguese company will be trained as an infantry company, with rifle and Lewis gun sections. There is also being formed a band of Portuguese musicians 30 strong, under Mr. Fitz Earle, the bandmaster of the K.O.S.B. (Applause.) I am sure that under his tuition they will very soon be formed into a first-class band.

Our thanks are due to Col. C. Brown, Col. W. C. P. Russell, Col. Cornyn and all the officers in these units for the assistance they have given us during the past season. We are also very grateful to all those who have subscribed to our prize fund. (Applause.)

Our rifle meeting has been a success, and has attracted a greater number of entries than ever before. Sergt. Major Westlake, Gurner Frith, and C. S. M. Stuart have put in all the spare work in connection with the Rifle Meeting. (Applause.)

Finally, on behalf of the Corps, I wish to thank General Luard for honouring us with his presence, to-night, for the assistance which we have always received from him and from the whole of his staff; and for his kindness in consenting to present the prizes this evening. (Applause.)

General Luard On Shooting.

General Luard said: I have come here to-night to distribute these prizes, not to make a speech; I am not prepared to make a speech, but I should like to say very much that I appreciate what Col. Bird said that I and my staff are always ready to assist in any way possible the Hong Kong Volunteer Defence Corps.

As regards musketry, I have always been extremely keen on musketry prizes. There are quite a number of people here to-night who no doubt can shoot in an ordinary way; but before you can win prizes, you have got to practice and to keep fit, and you have to take exceptional interest in the game before you can think of winning prizes.

INDIAN SHOP-KEEPER VICTIMISED.

AN OPULENT CUSTOMER AND A BIG ORDER.

PRECAUTIONS ELUDED.

When a well-dressed Chinese sauntered into the shop of H. M. Hojce, Esq., at Morrison Hill Road on Thursday, and merely gave an order for 18 tins of Jacob's biscuits and 150 packets of Three Castles cigarettes, the Indian store-keeper attended him with some politeness. "Yes, yes, Sir, what would you like to have the goods delivered to?" asked Mr. Esmail. The opulent customer said that he was giving a tea party at Lee Gardens and the goods he had ordered would be paid on delivery there.

Mr. Esmail was not so green as the Chinese Sir, who thought, for he warned the foki who accompanied the customer to Lee Gardens to be on the look out. But in spite of this precaution he had not reckoned with his host. When they arrived at Lee Gardens, the customer politely requested the foki to wait outside while he took the goods into the office and got the money.

The foki waited for quite a long while and as the man did not come out with the money, he felt that there must be something wrong. He at once dashed into the office to enquire, and was blandly told that the man was not known there and that no such goods had been ordered or been received.

The foki left the Gardens and made a report to the Police, but Mr. Esmail has now debited his book with the loss.

It strikes one to-night in issuing these prizes that rather too many seem to go to one or two units. That hardly strikes one, knowing the Corps, as being sufficiently distributed. The Engineers won several prizes, and the Scotsmen won even more. (Applause.) Although I know that a Scotsman is always a good shot, I will not admit that he is better than any one else really; but I think the Scotsman has shown that he has practiced and taken more trouble than anyone else. I should like every one to aim at beating the Scotsmen.

I should like to say that I am extremely pleased to give these prizes away to-night. I shall be only too pleased to do anything I can for the Hong Kong Volunteer Defence Corps. (Applause.)

When His Excellency sat down, he was given three rousing cheers and a "tiger."

Among those present were: Col. C. Russell Brown, D.S.O. (C.R.E.); Col. Cornyn, D.S.O.; Col. W. C. P. Russell, D.S.O. (C.R.A.); Capt. Dowling; Capt. L. D. Joll, R.A.; Capt. E. S. G. Howard, R.A.; Capt. R. L. Carew, R.A.; Col. Bird, D.S.O. (Commandant); the Hon. Mr. Messer, Mr. R. N. Dyer, Mr. H. R. Whyte, and others.

Community singing, led by Mr. V. R. Jones, proved a jolly feature, and songs were given by Messrs. H. E. Gardner, W. J. Johnson, and R. A. Green, Mr. R. Sutherland gave an interlude. The accompanists were Messrs. V. R. Jones and G. E. Longyear. Pipers played during the evening.

Pte. C. E. Frith, assisted by C.S.M. Stuart, was responsible for the organisation of the concert.

THE TROPHIES.

Nathan Cup for Efficiency.—Won by the Artillery Co.

Commandant's Cup for Musketry.—Won by the Engineer Company.

Lugard Cup for Field Firing at Unknown Ranges.—Won by the Engineer Company.

Commandant's Cup for Kirkpatrick Scheme.—Won by the Engineer Company.

Blake Shield Competition.—Won by No. 6 Platoon.—Corpl. C. Young, Pte. G. Nisbet, Pte. K. C. McLennan and Pte. G. R. Maskell.

Special Prize.—Pte. G. R. Maskell.

Francis Cup Competition.—Won by No. 5 Platoon.—Capt. D. C. Logan, M.C., Corpl. C. Young, Pte. K. C. McLennan and Pte. G. R. Maskell.

The Competition.—Won by No. 1 Platoon.—Lieut. A. H. Penn, Cpl. A. C. I. Bowker, Pte. W. Hayward and Pte. J. R. Collis.

Jar Competition.—Won by the Engineer Company. Field Section "B" Team.—2/Lieut. R. S. Logan, Corpl. E. S. Carter, Spr. A. J. Wadmore and Spr. C. Strange.

Attack Competition.—Won by No. 5 Platoon.—Leader: 2/Lieut. A. Mackenzie, Corpl. C. Young, Pte. G. R. Maskell, K. C. McLennan, K. S. Boulton, J. A. Watson and A. H. Maxwell.

Musketry Competition.—1st, Capt. D. C. Logan, M.C.; 2nd, Pte. K. C. McLennan; 3rd, Corpl. C. Young.

Corps Championship.—Winner, Spr. H. F. Westlake; 2nd, Pte. K. C. McLennan; 3rd, L/Corpl. D. E. G. Nicholson.

Tyco Competition.—Winner, Pte. M. G. Mills.

Revolver Competition (Open).—1st, Pte. O. W. Fleet; 2nd, Pte. O. W. H. Wells.

Revolver Competition (Corps).—1st, Lieut. A. M. Thornhill; 2nd, Corpl. S. Major H. Westlake.

Lewis Gun Competition.—Won by No. 1 Platoon.—2/Lieut. S. Jarvis, M.C., Corpl. A. C. I. Bowker and Pte. J. R. Collis.

Reserve Challenge Cup.—Winner, Pte. G. E. Stephens.

LAWN TENNIS.

HONG KONG OPEN SINGLES CHAMPIONSHIP.

S. A. RUMJAHN WINS EASILY.

THE FIRST INDIAN TO BE COLONY'S CHAMPION.

S. A. Rumjahn had little difficulty, yesterday evening on the Stand Court of the Hong Kong Cricket Club, in disposing of Ng Sze Kwong in the replay match in the Colony's Open Singles Final. From the beginning Rumjahn was obviously the winner, simply because, while he may not have played much more skilfully, he was much more aggressive than his opponent, who is probably ten years' older than the new champion.

Yesterday's play, on the part of both competitors, was not quite so interesting as on the occasion when they last met and when fast falling light brought the match to an incomplete close. Both players were very careful though occasionally young Rumjahn could not suppress his propensity to play somewhat "to the gallery," with the result that he lost quite a few points by such erratic display. But, as stated, he had the ex-champion beaten from the beginning, and he accomplished the feat by all-round brilliance, and by his remarkable alertness and aggressiveness. The clean cut strokes for which Ng Sze Kwong is so justly admired were again quite as much in evidence, but they were present almost as frequently in Rumjahn's play and, occasionally, when the ex-champion brought about a particularly clever stroke, he had the mortification of seeing his young opponent return it cleverly and effectively. On both sides there was a splendid display of fine shots that just skimmed clear of the net. The rallies were occasionally long and delightful to watch and both players gave an excellent display. Rumjahn did not play quite so spectacularly as on the last occasion, when he at times lobbed on occasions that appeared to be full of danger. He was content to peg his way to victory by sounder and surer means, and the result proves that he did not err in judgment. Both players played very finely, and occasionally brought off strokes that met with loud and spontaneous cheers from the spectators.

There was again a very large number of spectators. Every seat in the large stand had been booked, but every seat in it was evidently not occupied. On the east side of the Court an additional row of reserved seats was quickly secured by spectators early on the scene, with the result that many who would have been glad to purchase a seat had to stand. Obviously, the reserved accommodation will next year have to be enlarged. The match was again in charge of Mr. R. E. Lindsell, who officiated as umpire. The weather was very favourable though somewhat hot for the players.

The Games.

Rumjahn turned the tables on his opponent when last night he not only won the first two games of the match—as did Ng Sze Kwong last week—but he led by three before the ex-champion asserted superiority. Leading 4-1 in the first set, it was evident that Rumjahn was in tip-top form. His back-hand was as sound as ever and he returned the snappiest shots with convincing evidence of first rate skill. His forward drives were even more effective than they were last week, and his placing was such that Ng Sze Kwong had more running about to do than he generally has. In the first game Deuce was called, but, as stated, Rumjahn ultimately won, following up, his success by taking the two following games. Deuce was called twice in the third game, and it was evident that the players were strenuously asserting themselves. Rumjahn's aggressive tactics stood him in good stead and he showed sound judgment in adopting such methods. At 5-1 in his favour Rumjahn was playing confidently yet carefully, and it was only occasionally that he sent the ball spinning to no place in particular. At 6-1 Rumjahn won the set brilliantly.

(Continued on next column.)

GOLF.

SUNDAY'S STARTING TIMES.

The starting times for next Sunday's competitions are as follows:

9.29 a.m. W. L. Dunbar and J. S. MacLaren.
9.32 " J. H. Bottomley and E. P. Fletcher.
9.36 " R. K. Valentine and C. A. Peel.
9.40 " Capt. Bloxham and Capt. Dobbie.
9.44 " W. Ironside and J. E. MacKay.
9.48 " A. H. Penn and A. C. I. Bowker.
9.52 " A. G. Tait and W. N. Buyers.
9.56 " A. Leach and F. Taylor.
10.00 " Capt. E. W. Morris and W. Douglas.
10.04 " Col. Akern and J. K. Chaplin.
10.08 " C. C. Stark and E. D. Black.
10.12 " M. L. Smith and J. W. Franks.
10.16 " V. M. Grayburn and H. Hogarty.
10.20 " W. M. Cox and J. Coulthart.
10.24 " Major Rowell and Major Lucas.
10.28 " E. J. Mahon and W. C. Murray.
10.32 " W. D. Brown and A. Sommerfeldt.
10.36 " L. G. S. Dodwell and E. D. Matthews.

TENNIS LEAGUE.

TO-DAY'S MATCHES.

The principal match this afternoon is the tie between the University and the Chinese Recreation Club, which will be played on the courts of the former at Pokfulam. A close score should result. The Chinese are partnering in the same way as last week, while the University are putting out their strongest possible team.

The full list of matches is as follows:—

"A" Division.

Hong Kong C.C. v. Indian R.C.
M.B.K. v. Kodion C.C.
University v. Chinese R.C.

"B" Division.

Indian R.C. v. Hong Kong C.C.
Kowloon C.C. v. Chinese R.C.
United Services R.C. v. Recreation Club.
Craigengower v. University.
South China A.A. v. R. Engineers.

"C" Division.

Nippon Club v. Hong Kong C.C.
Chinese R.C. v. Kowloon C.C.
Recreation v. K.B. School F.P.A.
R.A.O.C. v. Netherlands T.C.

HANDICAP DOUBLES FINAL.

Father and son (S. E. Green and D. S. Green), owe 3/6, were successful in the final of the Handicap Doubles over E. J. R. Mitchell and W. Hyde (owe 1/6), but had to go all out to secure their victory. Mitchell and Hyde won the first and third sets, and led by two sets to one. The Greens, however, pulled the scores even at the end of the fourth set after a prolonged struggle and eventually won the match by the odd set in five.

The detailed scores of yesterday's matches were as follows:—

Open Singles.

Final:—S. A. Rumjahn beat Ng Sze Kwong, 6-1, 7-5, 6-3.

Handicap Singles "A."

4th Round:—G. W. Sewell (owe 4/6) beat R. K. Valentine (rec. 4/6), 6-4, 6-4.

Handicap Doubles.

Final:—S. E. Green and D. S. Green (owe 3/6) beat E. J. R. Mitchell and W. Hyde (owe 1/6), 1-6, 6-2, 4-6, 7-5, 6-3.

Club Singles.

3rd Round:—Major W. B. Stevenson beat L. Forster, 7-5, 4-6, 6-2, 6-3.

In the first game of the second set Ng Sze Kwong was the more brilliant and deservedly won. Rumjahn missed quite a few points here, and allowed a good lead to slip away. He, however, asserted supremacy in the next game which he took fairly easily, though Ng Sze Kwong brought off several very fine and effective strokes. Rumjahn led 3-2, after which Ng Sze Kwong equalised at 4-4 when both were going strong, as also at 5-5. Rumjahn, however, came away strongly, winning the next two games and the set.

In the third set Rumjahn won the first two games by strongly aggressive and accurate play. Deuce was called in the second game, but Ng Sze Kwong was unable to equalise. He, however, won the third game brilliantly. Playing with more care and good judgment Rumjahn won the next game, and ultimately the set by 6-3.

As the score—6-1, 7-5, 6-3—convincingly shows the Indian player was unquestionably superior, and his victory was very popular, for as stated Rumjahn (who is a member of a family from whom many fine tennis players have come) is the first Indian to win the Colony's Open Singles Championship.—W.A.D.

LAWN BOWLS.

LEAGUE MATCHES TO-DAY.

ANOTHER TEAM IN DIVISION II.

There are three Division I. and four Division II. fixtures in the Hong Kong Lawn Bowls League for this afternoon. A further entry has been made in the Second Division, the Kowloon Bowling Green Club having sent an application for admission to this Division after the closing date and after the fixture card has been issued. The application has been granted, and this Club's second string meet the Kowloon Cricket Club to-day. Some seasons ago the Bowling Green Club had two teams in the League and some fine struggles were seen.

FIXTURES AND TEAMS.

The fixtures for to-day are:—

First Division.

Craigengower C.C. v. Kowloon C.C.
Police R.C. v. Civil Service C.C.
Kowloon Dock R.C. v. Kowloon B.G.C.

Second Division.

Club de Recreo v. Craigengower C.C.
Taikoo R.C. v. East Point R.C.
Civil Service C.C. v. R.H.K.Y.C.
K.C.C. v. K.B.G.C.

THE TEAMS.

To-day's teams are likely to be:

First Division.

Craigengower C.C.:—Muskett, Souza, Bennett, and Bass (skip); Neves, Fritz, Alves, and Omar (skip); Luz, Rossette, el Arculari, Rumjahn (skip).

Kowloon C.C.:—Gorvin, Smith, Goodwin, and Gibson (skip); Abraham, Overy, Tacchi, and Hill (skip); Kern, Hirst, Hyde and Pile (skip).

Civil Service:—Beattie, Taylor, Oswick, and Grimmit (skip); Maughan, Westlake, Keegan, and Deakin (skip); Smith, Lambie, Holledge, and Pendered (skip).

Kowloon Dock:—Atkinson, Kemp-ton, Cullen, and Brown (skip); Greig, Cooper, Lindsay, and Gourlay (skip).

Kowloon B.G.C.:—Hazel, Duncan, Whitley, and Russell (skip); Headley, Dobbie, Chapman, and Farrell (skip); Muir, Magill, Holland and Macfarlane (skip).

Police R.S.:—Greenwood, Marks, Reid, and Muir (skip); Buchanan, Glendenning, Whant, and Moss (skip); Collins, Hollands, Sword, and West (skip).

Second Division.

Club de Recreo:—Ribeiro, Barros, Marques, and A. Ribeiro (skip); Y. Anovich, Silva, C. Silva, and Souza (skip); Ozorio, Basto, Saccaria, and Ribeiro (skip).

Craigengower C.C.:—Lely, Howard, Harteen, and Brightman (skip); Nicholson, Hamson, Rodrigues, and Kitchell (skip); Abbas, Phillips, Beer, and Knott (skip).

Civil Service:—Eccleshall, Rose, Haynes, and Brawn (skip); Holdman, Jones, Luck, and Alderman (skip); Strange, Simmonds, Archibald, and Massey (skip).

K.C.C.:—Edwards, Nash, Lyle and Lammert (skip); Hamblin, Harrison, Wragge, and Herdridge (skip); Gittins, Lawrence, Labrum, and Davidson (skip).

K.B.G.C.:—Hale, Rundell, Thomson, and Warren (skip); Ferguson, Blain, Dixon and Wylie (skip); Slipper, Budding, Hatt and Maclellan (skip).

CRICKET IN MALAYA.

THE VISIT OF THE AUSTRALIAN TEAM.

Further details with regard to the visit of the Australian Cricket Team to Malaya show that the visitors sailed on the *Malabar* on Tuesday of last week, and they are expected to reach Singapore on or about May 24th. The visiting team will be accommodated in private residences in Singapore belonging to members of the Singapore Cricket Club.

The tour opens on May 28th with a two day match against the Cricket Club, and on May 31st and June 1st there will be a match against an All Singapore side. The Australians then go up country and play in a series of matches, and on returning to Singapore play against All Malaya on June 24th, 25th and 26th.

Trial matches for the Singapore Cricket Club, possible v. Probables, and between the Singapore Cricket Club and the Rest are planned for May 13th and 14th and May 20th and 21st.

"Strait Times" Comment.

A *Strait Times* commentator, says: It is quite certain that the best team that could be raised in the whole of Malaya would be unable to give and the idea has been mooted that instead of playing competitive games the teams should be mixed up and sides composed of Australian and Malayan cricketers should be formed.

In one way the idea is a good one, but from another point of view the idea of bringing the Australians to Singapore is lost. No one cares for the actual result. We know that our teams will be beaten, but the result is the last consideration. Most of us will wish to see the Australians playing as a team, to watch their fielding and batting, which would lose more than half of its interest, especially in the case of fielding, if the sides were to be split up.

COUNTY CRICKET.

GIANTS AND "RABBITS."

EASY WINS FOR LANGASHIRE, YORKSHIRE AND NOTTS.

Results in the matches reported below in which Lancashire, Yorkshire and Notts "wiped the floor" with Somerset, Glamorganshire and Worcestershire show the great disparity in strength between the different counties—a disparity so great that for the four or five leading counties a large proportion of their games is mere rabbit hunting, and both batsmen and bowlers can make hay with players who are no where near first class form. Mr. A. E. R. Gilligan and other good judges of the game strongly urge a division on the League principle.

To-day's matches should see some good struggles, notably between Hants and Middlesex, Leicestershire and Glamorgan, Sussex and Worcestershire. But as for Lancashire v. Derbyshire—its like putting up the British amateur heavy weight champion against Gene Tunney.

Easy Thing For Lancashire.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

LONDON, May 12th.
Lancashire defeated Somerset by an innings and 125 runs at Manchester, the Southern County collapsing before Sibbles and Macdonald.

The scores were:—
Somerset: 92 and 148.
Lancashire: 365 (for 7 wickets dead).

Going in first Somerset were unable to make much of the bowling of Sibbles, and failed to reach the century. The Lancashire "colt" took 8 wickets for 24 runs.

In reply, Lancashire set their opponents the task of scoring 274 runs to avoid the innings defeat. Hallows made 104, his second century of the season, and C. H. Taylor compiled 67.

G. E. Earle made a plucky 67 not out, but Somerset again failed, the side being dismissed for 148. The wickets went to Macdonald and Sibbles, the former taking 6 wickets for 56 runs, while Sibbles took 4 for 50.

Yorkshire Rout Glamorganshire.

The Welsh County has made great strides with regard to their cricketing strength during the past two seasons, but like other, older participants in county cricket, they are a long way behind the conquering "Tykes." At Cardiff they lost by an innings and 51 runs in a low-scoring match, distinguished by splendid bowling by Macaulay, and a century by Holmes.

The scores were:—
Yorkshire: 236.
Glamorgan: 83 and 102.

In Yorkshire's first innings two men Holmes (107) and Macaulay (57) were responsible for 184 out of 236. E. Davis taking 4 wickets for 54 runs.

Glamorgan, however, made very little of the Northerners attack and after losing all their wickets for 83 (Robinson 6 for 37, Macaulay 4 for 31) they followed on but were dismissed for 102, Macaulay taking 7 wickets for 40.

Innings Victory For Notts.

Playing on their own ground at Worcester, Worcestershire lost by an innings and 63 runs.

The scores were:—
Notts: 309.
Worcester: 80 and 163.

For Nottingham the best scores were 59 by Walker and 50 by Payton, while Root, the "leg trap" bowler, took five wickets for 86 runs.

Larwood (five wickets for 42 runs) and S. Staples (4 for 17) were responsible for Worcester's first innings collapse. Worcester improved in their second innings, but failed to avert the innings defeat.

To-day's Matches.

Lord's Middlesex v. Hampshire.
Bally—Essex v. New Zealand.
Taunton—Somerset v. Surrey.
Ekeston—Derbyshire v. Lancashire.

Dewsbury—Yorkshire v. Gloucestershire.
Chatham—Kent v. Northamptonshire.
Brighton—Sussex v. Worcestershire.

Leicester—Leicestershire v. Glamorganshire.

HOCKEY.

5/2nd PUNJABIS v. WANDERERS.

At the U.S.R.C. this afternoon. Bally—4.45 p.m.
Wanderers (in white):—A. N. Other, D. Lyon, Lt. Mundy, R.N., L. A. R. Duncan, Lt. Hunt, A.M.E. Lt. Hankey, K.O.S.B., A. E. Howell, Capt. Walker, R.A.M.C., Lt. Dale, R.N., B. Sampson, Lt. Pugh, R.N.

A message from Nanking announces that Cantonese soldiers have blown up the golf greens. That, of course, settles it, definitely and for ever, says a home paper. They probably ground their clubs in bunkers, and when they got back to the billiard-room, deliberately put their opponent's ball.

BOXING.

TO-NIGHT'S TOURNAMENT PROGRAMME.

Reference to the interesting programme arranged for the eighth and final tournament of the Hong Kong Boxing Association to be staged at the Theatre Royal to-night has already appeared in these columns. The programme arranged is as under:

Championship Fight.

A.B. Hindle v. A.B. Halligan.

Welterweight Contest: 10 Rounds.

A.B. Edwin v. A.B. Coombes.

Bantamweight Contest: 6 Rounds.

Stoker Gold v. A.B. Kirdhead.

Featherweight Contest: 6 Rounds.

Marine Hill v. Warder Grant.

Welterweight Contest: 6 Rounds.

A.B. Green v. Pte. Spalding.

Lightweight Contest.

A.B. Baker v. Stoker Whittington.

THE WORLD'S MIDDLEWEIGHT CHAMPIONSHIP.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

LONDON, May 12th.

The Walker-Milligan fight for the world's middle-weight championship will be decided at Olympia, London, on June 30th.

TRAGEDIES AT SHANGHAI.

BRITON FOUND DEAD WITH BULLET WOUND.

MARINE'S DEATH IN H.M.S. "ARGUS."

Inquests were held on the bodies of two British subjects last Monday afternoon at the Public Mortuary, Shanghai, by H.M. Magistrate, Mr. I. T. Morris, sitting as Coroner.

The first inquiry was in regard to the death of Mr. Percy C. Cadman who was found dead in his room at the Astor House Hotel on Monday morning with a bullet wound in his forehead.

Deceased formerly resided in Tientsin for several years and came to Shanghai over a year ago. At the time of his death he was employed by Messrs. Frazer & Co., Ltd., Shanghai.

After evidence of identification had been given, the Coroner adjourned the inquiry.

The second inquiry was on the body of Corporal H. J. Pandin, Royal Air Force, attached to H.M.S. *Argus*, who was found dead on Monday morning hanging from a rope attached to the stanchion on the boat deck of the ship.

Surgeon-Lieut. J. Nason deposed that death was caused by strangulation. Deceased had been under his care for some time but did not appear to be depressed and his health was generally good.

Able Seaman E. J. Nunn deposed that at about 9.30 p.m. on Sunday deceased did not seem depressed. It was this witness who discovered the body hanging by a rope from the boat deck at 8.15 a.m. on Monday.

The Coroner found that "deceased had committed suicide while temporarily of unsound mind."

MR. BRODIE CLARKE'S BIRTHDAY.

CONGRATULATIONS TO SHANGHAI VETERAN.

There was a repetition last Monday of what in the past few years has grown to be one of the most pleasant of Shanghai's annual functions and which many hundreds of people, not only in Shanghai, but all over China, will hope it will be possible to repeat on many occasions. It was the celebration of the birthday of Mr. Brodie A. Clarke, who on Monday attained the age of 83, with a record of well over 60 years spent in China.

At 11 o'clock there gathered in Messrs. Hopkins, Dunn & Co.'s offices a distinguished company, including not only most of the Settlement's leading taipans and many of the veterans' more particular Shanghai friends, but also General Duncan, Sir James Burnett of Leys, Sir Sidney Barton (H.M. Consul-General), Mr. Stirling (Consul-General), Mr. J. O. P. Bland, F.E. Gordon (Commandant of the S.V.C.), Judge Grain and many others of official rank. Admiral Tyrwhitt and many others who were anxious to attend were prevented by official duties from being present.

In the course of a neat speech, Judge Grain said that Mr. Clarke even now seemed just as young as he did in a photograph they just had been inspecting, showing him in 1871 as a member of the crew representing Scotland against England in a boat race which Scotland won.

Mr. Brodie Clarke's health then was drunk with enthusiasm and in response he said he believed his long life was due to his father and mother, who were two of the best. He was brought up in a hard school, but it was for the best.

Mr. Drung Tsch Ming addressed the Court on behalf of the accused. Judgment was reserved.

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SATURDAY,

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SINGULAR CHARGE AGAINST EDITOR.

INSULTING THE CHINESE POLICE.

"I ONLY SCRUTINIZE FRONT PAGE."

In the Provisional Court on Monday before Judge Yu, Pon Kun Pih, editor of the Chinese newspaper *China Times*, was charged with, on April 24th, publishing an article insulting public officers, to wit, the members of the Chinese branch of the S.M. Police.

Mr. P. W. Goldring appeared for the prosecution.

Mr. Goldring: I appear for the Council and the defendant is summoned for openly making an insulting attack upon the functions of the Chinese police. The section of the C.P.C. Code provides for certain punishments. The article complained of appeared in the *China Times*, and as a whole it dealt with an article published by Mr. J. O. P. Bland. The principal part of the article complained of alleges that the Chinese police are loafers, vagabonds and that they are guilty of inhuman and traitorous acts, that the main characteristics of the Chinese police are to squeeze, to defraud, to lie and to act cruelly.

If the Court does not consider that this is an open insult to the Chinese police I shall be very surprised. They are a hard working, loyal body of men and this is an unwarranted attack upon them. I ask the Court if it finds the defendant guilty of this gross libel, to pass the heaviest sentence possible. I will also call the Court's attention to the concluding part of the article, which says that the only use for Indians are as watchmen, for Japanese to sell egg cakes, for English to act as police and for the French to become priests.

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AMERICAN VIRTUE.

ACTORS AND ACTRESSES SENT TO GAOL.

NO MORE NAUGHTY PLAYS.

New York.

"Why gao! the actors!" was the popular cry raised over the conviction of the cast as well as the producers and author of a "sex" play which had been running on Broadway throughout the season. Sentences of imprisonment were imposed on the actors and actresses in "The Virgin Man."

Governor Smith signed a new "padding" law designed to strengthen the hands of the authorities in suppressing theatrical or music-hall performances adjudged to be injurious to the morals of youth. The law permits the "padding," or closing, for one year of any theatre in which such a performance has been given. Editorial writers stigmatise as queer justice the imprisoning of hard-working actors or actresses while the sniggering audiences that bought tickets and filled the seats go scot-free.

Only those responsible for indecent plays—namely, the producers and authors—they argue, should be put in gaol. As for the padding law, they condemn it as embodying possibilities of grave injustice, inasmuch as a powerful producing corporation would be able to put almost a compelling pressure upon a theatre manager to produce a particular play and thus secure the closing of that particular theatre for a year to any rival producing group.

BIG MOTOR LINER.

WHITE STAR ORDER FOR BELFAST.

The White Star Line has placed an order with Harland

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AMOI, SWATOW & SINGAPORE	"ANKING"	On 14th May, 6 p.m.
SHANGHAI	"CHUNGKING"	On 15th May, 6 a.m.
SWATOW, SHANGHAI, NEWCHWANG & DALNY	"KANCHOW"	On 15th May, 6 a.m.
SWATOW & BANGKOK	"KIANGSU"	On 15th May, 10 a.m.
SHANGHAI	"CHENG TU"	On 15th May, 4 p.m.
SHANGHAI	"KWANGSE"	On 16th May, 3 p.m.
AMOI, SHANGHAI & TSINGTAO	"SOOCHOW"	On 17th May, 6 a.m.
HOIHOW & HAIPHONG	"TEAN"	On 18th May, 10 a.m.
SWATOW & SHANGHAI	"LINAN"	On 20th May, 6 a.m.
SHANGHAI	"HUPEH"	On 20th May, 3 p.m.
AMOI, SWATOW & SINGAPORE	"ANTUNG"	On 22nd May, 6 a.m.
SWATOW & BANGKOK	"KWANGCHOW"	On 22nd May, 10 a.m.
SWATOW, SHANGHAI, NEWCHWANG & DALNY	"LUCHOW"	On 22nd May, 3 p.m.
AMOI, SHANGHAI & TSINGTAO	"SUIYANG"	On 24th May, 6 a.m.

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ARRIVALS.	VESSELS EXPECTED.	Departures.
May 13th. Fook Hong, Chinese str., 1,210 tons, Lai Ping Nam, from Fort Canpha and Hoihow, with coal and general cargo, lying at buoy No. C43.—Sun Fat & Co. Hua Shun, Chinese str., 1,791 tons, Capt. O. Torgersen, from Koolung, with a cargo of coal, lying at buoy No. B50.—M.B.K. Kanchow, British str., 1,222 tons, Capt. E. Fisher, from Shanghai and Amoy, with a general cargo, lying at buoy No. B12.—B. & S. Ranella, British str., 3,372 tons, Capt. R. W. Thompson, from San Pedro and Yokohama. The latter port she left on May 5th, with 7,107 tons of fuel oil, lying at North Point.—A.P.C. Togo Maru No. 1, Japanese str., 1,300 tons, Capt. K. Kajikawa, from Canton, lying at buoy No. C45.—M.B.K. May 13th. Kwang Sang, British schooner, 1,423 tons, Capt. G. H. Hodgson, from Tsingtau via Shanghai and Swatow, with a general cargo, lying at West Point Wharf.—Jardine, Matheson & Co. Nellor, British str., 4,249 tons, Capt. Hignett, from Shanghai, which port she left on May 10th, with a general cargo, lying at buoy No. A1.—Mackinnon, Mackenzie & Co. Shantung, British str., 1,568 tons, Capt. W. T. Dodge, from Canton, with a general cargo, lying at buoy No. B9.—B. & S.	Adriatic (Blue Funnel), due July 15th. Agapenor (Blue Funnel), due May 27th. Antenor (Blue Funnel), due July 20th. Arifura (E. & A.), due July 4th. Automedon (Blue Funnel), due May 20th. Benlamond (Ben Line), due May 20th. Desau (Melchior), due May 10th. Deucalion (Blue Funnel), due June 25th. Empress of Canada (C.P.R.), due Monday. Fulda (Melchior), due May 31st. Hellas (Blue Funnel), due June 23rd. Leon (Blue Funnel), due July 3rd. Kadyna (P. & O.), due June 5th. Kadyna (P. & O.), due July 5th. Lahore (P. & O.), due to-morrow. Macedonia (P. & O.), due June 23rd. Machon (Blue Funnel), due June 12th. Mastua (P. & O.), due May 26th.	Mizapore (P. & O.), due Monday, 6 a.m. Narara (P. & O.), due June 28th. Orestes (Blue Funnel), due June 3rd. Patricius (Blue Funnel), due June 22nd. Perseus (Blue Funnel), due July 7th. Pyrrha (Blue Funnel), due June 17th. Ravallpindi (P. & O.), due July 21st. Santia (B.I. & Apear), due to-morrow. Sargodon (Blue Funnel), due May 25th. St. Albans (E. & A.), due June 6th. Talamia (B.I. & Apear), due to-morrow, about 7 a.m. Tanda (E. & A.), due May 31st. Tchamolis (Blue Funnel), due July 20th. Tiptoe (Hugo Stinnes), due to-morrow. The m.v. Malayan Prince, which left Hong Kong for Boston and New York via Ports on March 8th arrived at Boston on May 7th, and New York on May 12th.

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May 24	San Francisco	Majestic	June 25	C'brg-S'mp'tn July 1
June 1	Seattle	Leviathan	July 2	C'brg-S'mp'tn July 8
June 8	San Francisco	Olympic	July 9	C'brg-S'mp'tn July 15
June 15	Seattle	Geo. Washington	July 13	P'mth-C'brg July 21
June 22	San Francisco	Homeric	July 23	C'brg-S'mp'tn July 29
June 29	Seattle	Leviathan	Aug. 1	P'mth-C'brg Aug. 7
July 6	San Francisco	Majestic	Aug. 6	C'brg-S'mp'tn Aug. 12
July 13	Seattle	Boregaria	Aug. 10	C'brg-S'mp'tn Aug. 16
July 20	San Francisco	Leviathan	Aug. 20	P'mth-C'brg Aug. 26
July 27	Seattle	Aquitan	Aug. 24	C'brg-S'mp'tn Aug. 30
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PRESIDENT HARRISON ... May 24th, 6.00 a.m.

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SUNRISE AND SUNSET IN HONG KONG.

FOR MAY, 1927.

STANDARD TIME OF THE 120th MERIDIAN, EAST OF GREENWICH.

May	Sunrise	Sunset
14th	5.44 a.m.	6.55 p.m.
15th	5.43	6.55
16th	5.43	6.55
17th	5.43	6.55
18th	5.42	6.57
19th	5.42	6.57
20th	5.41	6.58
21st	5.41	6.58
22nd	5.41	6.59
23rd	5.41	7.00
24th	5.40	7.00
25th	5.40	7.00
26th	5.40	7.01
27th	5.40	7.01
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SHANGHAI via SWATOW & NINGPO	"CHEONGSHING"	Monday, 16th May, at 5 p.m.
TIEN TSIN	"OHIPSHING"	Wednesday, 18th May, at 7 a.m.
TSINGTAU via SWATOW & SHANGHAI	"KWONGSANG"	Wednesday, 18th May, at 7 a.m.
BANGKOK	"KWANGSANG"	Wednesday, 18th May, at 7 a.m.
AMOI, SHANGHAI, MOJI, KOBE & OSAKA	"KUMSANG"	Sunday, 22nd May, at 7 a.m.
TSINGTAU via SWATOW & SHANGHAI	"CHAKSANG"	Sunday, 22nd May, at 7 a.m.
STRAITS & CALOUTTA	"HOSANG"	Tuesday, 24th May, at 3 p.m.
TSINGTAU via SWATOW & SHANGHAI	"FOOSHING"	Wednesday, 25th May, at 7 a.m.
SANDAKAN	"HINSANG"	Friday, 27th May, at 3 p.m.
KOBE via AMOI & MOJI	"KUTSANG"	Monday, 30th May, at 7 a.m.
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Motor Vessel	Sailing	Due Hong Kong
"GLENSHIRE"	28th May	28th May
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"GLENOGLE"	23rd June	23rd June

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EMPEROR OF RUSSIA	June 22	June 25	June 28	July 1	July 4
EMPEROR OF ASIA	July 13	July 16	July 19	July 22	July 25
EMPEROR OF CANADA	Aug. 3	Aug. 6	Aug. 9	Aug. 12	Aug. 15
EMPEROR OF RUSSIA	Aug. 24	Aug. 27	Aug. 30	Sept. 2	Sept. 5
EMPEROR OF ASIA	Sept. 14	Sept. 17	Sept. 20	Sept. 23	Sept. 26
EMPEROR OF CANADA	Oct. 5	Oct. 8	Oct. 11	Oct. 14	Oct. 17
EMPEROR OF RUSSIA	Oct. 26	Oct. 29	Nov. 1	Nov. 4	Nov. 7

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Shipping News Daily Statement, Waterfront News, etc.

YESTERDAY'S FREIGHT RETURNS.

LOCAL & THROUGH CARGOES DOWN.

BRITISH VESSELS BEST CONTRIBUTORS.

Low returns were again shown by the vessels arriving here during the 24 hours ended at 9 a.m. yesterday. Of the total general merchandise tonnage entered and carried for ports beyond, British vessels contributed about 75 per cent.

Of the 16 arrivals only 8 steamers discharged here. The total amount of general cargoes unloaded was 7,150 tons. Of these, 5,998 tons were brought in by five British steamers. The two best returns were 2,370 tons and 1,551 tons. Both were carried by British vessels. The former were on the s.s. *Kwai Sang* from Bangkok and Kohsichang, and the latter on the *Tantulus* from Liverpool and Singapore.

Through freights were manifested on eight vessels and amounted to 10,347 tons. Seven British steamers accounted for 7,707 tons. The two best returns were shown by the s.s. *Tantulus* and the Japanese steamer *Seiya Maru*. The former passing through from Liverpool and Singapore carried 5,320 tons and the latter from Osaka and Shanghai, 2,040 tons.

Miscellaneous Shipments.

In addition to general merchandise, there were 4,900 tons of rice for Hong Kong. These were contributed by two steamers. Coal amounting to 4,230 tons was brought in by three steamers, and there were also 1,800 tons of same commodity for other ports.

During the period under review there were 16 arrivals and 14 departures. The nationalities were: British, 8 arrivals and 5 departures; Japanese, 3 arrivals and 4 departures; Norwegian, 2 arrivals and 3 departures; Chinese, 3 arrivals and 1 departure; Dutch, 1 departure.

The following were the freight contributors:

S.S. *Fook Sang* (British) from Calcutta and Singapore, 1,580 tons general for Hong Kong and 1,136 tons for other ports.
S.S. *Hai Hong* (British) from Foochow and Swatow, 150 tons general for Hong Kong.
S.S. *Huichow* (British) from Canton, 70 tons general for other ports.
S.S. *Fui Sang* (British) from Canton, 10 tons general for other ports.
S.S. *Tantulus* (British) from Liverpool and Singapore, 1,551 tons general for Hong Kong and 6,320 tons for other ports.
S.S. *Kunehow* (British) from Shanghai and Amoy, 145 tons general for Hong Kong and 129 tons for other ports.
S.S. *Chonan* (British) from Canton, 16 tons general for other ports.
S.S. *Kwai Sang* (British) from Bangkok and Kohsichang, 2,370 tons general for Hong Kong and 30 tons for other ports.
S.S. *Svale* (Norwegian) from Penang and Singapore, 630 tons general for Hong Kong.
S.S. *Prosper* (Norwegian) from Saigon, 2,300 tons rice for Hong Kong.
(Continued on next column).

DAILY WATERFRONT NEWS.

OPIUM ON DESERTED SAMPAN.

WEST RIVER FLOOD FEARED.

[BY LONGSHOREMAN.]

Sampans anchoring at Causeway Bay were raided by Revenue Officers on Thursday, and 1,200 taels of opium were seized. The opium was found on a deserted sampan. The officers acted on information, but those concerned had wind of the raid and made themselves scarce. The contraband and the sampan are now held by the Imports and Exports Office.

A Passenger From Macao.

When the *Sui An* from Macao berthed alongside the wharf on Wednesday, her passengers came rushing out as usual to *terra firma*, but the searchers' attention was riveted to one man. He was stopped and in his pockets were a number of pawn tickets and a \$10 note. When the note was spread open for inspection, the man looked uneasy and muttered something so incoherently that the searchers concluded that there must be something wrong with it.

When asked as to how he came to own it, the man said that a passenger on board the ship had given him the note. The suspicions of the searchers were then confirmed. They marched him to the Police Station where the note was discovered to be a forgery. At the Central Magistracy yesterday morning, the man pleaded guilty to possession of a forged note before Major C. Willson, and was sentenced to four months' hard labour.

Home Mails.

Two Home and Europe mails arrived yesterday. One was *via* Suez and came on the P. & O. s.s. *Kashmir*, which sails to-day for the North with outward mail for Home *via* Siberia, closing at 10.30 a.m., and the other arrived *via* Siberia by the P. & O. s.s. *Nellara*, which leaves early this morning with the outward Home mail *via* Marselles. Also taking Home mail to-day *via* Siberia is the s.s. *Chung King*, the mail closing at the G.P.O. at 5 p.m. Monday's Home mail *via* Siberia will close at 10.30 a.m., and will be despatched by the s.s. *Fushimi Maru*.

Asiatic Deck Passengers.

The returns for the 24 hours ended at 9 a.m. yesterday showed that 1,670 Asiatic deck passengers had entered the Colony. They were brought by nine vessels mostly from Singapore and the Fukien district.

S.S. *Saijo Maru* (Japanese) from Osaka and Shanghai, 394 tons general for Hong Kong and 2,640 tons for other ports.
S.S. *Kaijo Maru* (Japanese) from Keelung and Swatow, 800 tons coal for Hong Kong.
S.S. *Tai Fook Sing* (Chinese) from Saigon, 2,300 tons rice for Hong Kong.
S.S. *Hua Shan* (Chinese) from Keelung, 1,900 tons coal for Hong Kong and 1,800 tons for other ports.
S.S. *Fook Hong* (Chinese) from Campha Port and Hoihow, 1,800 tons coal and 60 tons general for Hong Kong.

West River Rises.

The West River has risen as a consequence of the recent rains, the level at Wuchow being 8 to 9 feet higher.

The violent flow, especially below the Ling Yang Gorge, is found to be dangerous by sailors of native craft.

Two native craft fully loaded with cargoes are reported to have been sunk at this point of the river. The yellow colour of the water in Canton harbour indicates that a flood is about to set in. — *Canton Gazette*.

Marine Court.

Four junk masters were each fined \$10 or ten days' hard labour by the Lieut.-Comdr. J. B. Newell, D.S.O., R.N., at the Marine Court yesterday morning for dumping sand on the foreshore of Cheung Sha Wan.

Vessels In Port.

There were 55 vessels in port during the 24 hours ended at 9 a.m. yesterday. These were composed of 18 British, 6 Norwegian, 5 Japanese, 16 Chinese, 5 Dutch, 2 Portuguese, and 1 French.

Deaths On Steamer.

When the s.s. *Fook Sang* came into port yesterday from Calcutta and Singapore, she reported the deaths of two Chinese deck passengers. One died of beri-beri and one of pulmonary tuberculosis.

Ship Grounds And Floats Off.

At an early hour of Thursday last week the Straits Hejaz Steamship Company's steamer *Pong Tong*, which ran ashore on Tree Island the previous morning, floated off the coral bed on which she rested and came under her own steam to the East Wharf at Singapore where she unloaded her cargo of bullocks and goats. The vessel does not appear to have sustained any damage. It is stated that the steamer went aground through the light on the island not functioning. The *Pong Tong* is a vessel of 1,724 tons gross, 1,001 tons net, and is commanded by Capt. J. B. M. Gao. The steamer is owned by the Fei Lun S.S. Co. Leaving Jeddah on April 11th the *Pong Tong* touched at Aden and Colombo en route to Singapore. When the Dutch vessel *Van Diemen* arrived at Singapore her captain also reported that the Tree Island light was not burning when he passed the island.

Miscellaneous.

Mr. Isister, an officer of the s.s. *Kiangsu* reports that some time during the past two days \$75 in notes was stolen from his cabin.

\$3,000 Fine.

Charged before Mr. W. Schofield at the Kowloon Magistracy yesterday with unlawful possession of 39 taels of prepared opium, a Chinese woman, who arrived in Hong Kong on the s.s. *Taklung* from Amoy on this week, admitted possession, but said that she was given the parcel containing the contraband by a friend to bring to Hong Kong. She was not aware of its contents. Revenue Officer Lanigan informed his Worship that information had previously been received that opium was being smuggled from Amoy by passengers on the *Taklung*. His Worship imposed a fine of \$3,000 or eight months' hard labour in default.

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S.S. "CITY OF PEKIN" ... Havre, London, & Hamburg ... 8th June.
S.S. "CITY OF TOKIO" ... Havre, London, Rotterdam & Hamburg ... 13th July.
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